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LADIES' AUTUMN FOOTWEAR

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SEVEN SHIPS RUSH TO AID OF STRICKEN NORWEGIAN VESSEL



The dictator of the state of
Tobasco, Garrido Canabal, who
has a private army of 30,000, is ex-
pected to be named Mexican mini-
ster of interior and given charge of
the enforcement of the dominant
party's anti-Catholic church cam-
paign.

CHIEF JUSTICE ROBBED POLICE OFFER \$250 REWARD

A reward of \$250 has been offered
by the Police for information lead-
ing to the arrest of the person or
persons who stole a quantity of
valuable jewellery, the property of
the Chief Justice, Mr. A. D. A.
Macgregor, and Mrs. Macgregor, at
No. 372 The Peak on Sunday.

A further loss of personal posses-
sions belonging to His Lordship is
reported. These include a Masonic
past-master jewel of the Royal
Connaught Lodge, Trinidad, a
silver Stewards' badge of the Hong
Kong Jockey Club, which was pre-
sented to Mr. Macgregor.

The total value of the stolen
jewellery is estimated exceed \$3,000.

\$23,845 THEFT

VISITOR TO FIRM ABSCONDS

A sum of \$23,845 is reported to
have been stolen from the Yuen
Hing Fong Kee Imports and Ex-
ports firm, of No. 8 Des Voeux Road
West, between 5 p.m. yesterday and
10 a.m. to-day.

The theft was discovered this
morning, when it was reported that
a key to the safe had been taken.

One person, Lau Yip-cho, a vi-
sitor to the firm, is under suspi-
cion, as he has since absconded.

ARMED ROBBERY IN NEW TERRITORIES

Shots Fired: No One Hurt And \$20 Stolen

An armed robbery took place at
Shing Yuk Village, Tai Chung dis-
trict, New Territories, last night,
when money and jewellery, valued at
\$20, were stolen from Cheung Tai,
a married woman residing at an un-
numbered house.

It was reported by the woman,
whose husband was away at the time
working at the Hong Kong and
Shanghai Bank site, that five men
broke into her house by the door.
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WEATHER FORECAST

The anticyclone is unchanged,
pressure remaining highest to the
north-west of Shantung. The
depression is now situated to the
north-east of Hokkaido, and has
increased considerably in inten-
sity. The local forecast, as issued
by the Royal Observatory this
morning, was north-east winds,
fresh; cloudy.

LAVAL SEES PEACE KEY

FRANCO-GERMAN REUNION WITHIN EASTERN PACT

NEXT MOVE RESTS WITH GERMANY

VITAL NEED OF ITALIAN CO-OPERATION

Paris, To-day.

A Franco-German rap-
prochement within an
international framework
(the Eastern Pact) is an
effective guarantee of
peace, declared M. Laval
in a speech in the Senate
yesterday. If Germany
acted, in consequence
a great step would have
been made towards the
necessary reconciliation
of the two peoples, he
continued. Germany
would shortly be again
invited to participate in
the Eastern Pact, when
her reply would be a test
of her sentiment of soli-
darity.

M. Laval dwelt on the
need for Franco-Italian
co-operation in the cause
of peace and read the
text of the Franco-
Russian protocol, which
was signed at Geneva on
December 5, wherein
both parties undertook
not to embark on any ne-
gotiations leading to the
conclusion of bilateral or
multilateral agreements
which might compromise
the conclusion of the
Eastern Pact.—Reuter.

GERMAN AND U.S. BARTER PLAN

Now Threatened With Collapse

Washington, To-day.

The proposed barter transac-
tion with Germany of \$30,000,000
worth of cotton, which, it is re-
ported, was approved of by the
State and Treasury Departments,
is reliably stated to be threaten-
ed with collapse as it conflicts
with President Roosevelt's gen-
eral world trade plans.—Reuter.

COMMUNISTS ATTACK

6,000 Swoop Down At Kinghsien

WUHU THREATENED

Shanghai, To-day.

Foreigners arriving at
Wuhu from the interior re-
port that about 6,000 armed
Communists are attacking
Kinghsien, a town situated 45
miles to the south of Wuhu,
and are moving in a north-
easterly direction, says the
"North China Daily News,"
which adds that H.M.S. Lady
Bird and a Japanese gunboat
are at Wuhu.—Reuter.



Harry Whitney (above) is being
termed the "mystery man" of the
Hauptmann case because of the
prominent part he is playing in
making arrangements for the legal
defence of the German carpenter
and Lindbergh kidnapping suspect
in New Jersey.

THE INDIA DEBATE

EXTRAORDINARY INTEREST

RECORD ATTENDANCE OF PEERS

London, To-day.

In the House of Lords the India
debate yesterday excited extra-
ordinary interest, many Peers in the
last few days having taken the
oath and their seats for the first
time in the present parliament.

With the exception of three
benches, normally reserved for
the labour opposition, which are
never filled, every seat was oc-
cupied and all available stand-
ing-room lined with Peers. It
was the biggest house for seven
years.

The Labourites did not vote,
and the Conservatives, who were
opponents of the Bill and sup-
porters of Lord Salisbury, soon
passed through the lobby, but it
took 20 minutes for the Govern-
ment's supporters to vote.—
Reuter.

SVEN HEDIN'S NEW TASK

MOTOR ROAD FROM YELLOW SEA TO TURKESTAN

Blazing Trail For Chinese Govt.

Stockholm, To-day.

Dr. Sven Hedin, the famous
Swedish traveller and explorer who
has made discoveries in Central
Asia and who has written exten-
sively thereon, is now accomplish-
ing the great task of surveying a
motor road through the heart of
Asia, at the request of the Chinese
Government.

He is blazing a trail along which
the Government may build a modern
motor-road from the Yellow Sea to
Chinese Turkestan, to replace the
age-old caravan routes.
He has concluded his exploration
of the depression of the Lob Nor
area, in Outer Mongolia, consisting
of desolate salt marshes, and ac-
cording to his cables received here,
he has discovered regions hitherto
absolutely unknown to the outside
world.—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT WARNED

DEATH THREATS CONTAINED IN NEW LETTERS

FOULKES' SUPPORT CONDEMNED

MYSTERIOUS END IF CONTINUED

Washington, To-day.

Four letters threatening Pre-
sident Roosevelt and a member
of the House of Representatives,
Mr. Foulkes, with death are stat-
ed to have been received by Mr.
Foulkes, who declares the let-
ters contained a warning that
something mysterious would hap-
pen to him if he did not cease
supporting the President.—Reu-
ter.

Addressing more than 500 men
and women sheriffs, district at-
torneys, school teachers and busi-
ness men assembled for Attorney
General Homer S. Cummings'
national crime conference, Presi-
dent Roosevelt recently asked
the co-ordination of all law en-
forcement agencies, federal and
state, and the aid of every indi-
vidual in the war on crime.
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WEST AUSTRALIA PETITION

Secession From The Commonwealth

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED

London, To-day.

The Public Petitions Committee
in the House of Commons has re-
commended the appointment of a
special select committee to con-
sider the petition of Western Aus-
tralia for secession from the
Commonwealth.—Reuter.

A Petition on behalf of the
Government, Parliament, and
people of the State of Western
Australia, for leave to withdraw
from the Australian Federation
and for the restoration of their
(Continued from Page 9.)

NAVAL DELEGATES AT PALACE

King Receives Japanese Officials

London, To-day.

The Japanese delegates to the
preliminary Naval conversations,
the Japanese Ambassador, Mr.
Matsudaira, and Admiral Yama-
moto, were received by His Majesty
the King at Buckingham Palace
yesterday afternoon.—British Wire-
less Service.

WASHINGTON NAVAL TREATY

Japanese Abrogation Unanimous

Tokyo, To-day.

In the presence of the Em-
peror, the Privy Council
Plenary Session unani-
mously approved Japan's de-
cision to abrogate the
Washington Treaty. The
presentation of the formal
notification to the State
Department in Washington
is reported to have been
postponed until after Xmas.
—Reuter.



This dramatic picture tells, at a
glance how Darien, Conn., police trapped
three of the four men accused of try-
ing to kidnap 12-year-old Robert West-
helm, son of the travel agency execu-
tive. The Police, who hid in the house
three days and nights after the receipt
of threats, are guarding the captives,
members of a Providence gang.

SAAR INCIDENT SEQUEL

International Police Chief Resigns Post

Saarbrücken, today.
Major Hemsley, the British
head of the International Police
Force in the Saar, has resigned.
—Reuter.

This is sequel to the incident
on Saturday night when a mem-
ber of the police force was mob-
bed after he had injured a
pedestrian when his car mount-
ed the pavement.

VANDERBILT CASE

APPEAL COURT'S NEW RULING

CHILD MAY SPEND XMAS WITH MOTHER IF AUNT GIVES CONSENT

New York, To-day.

The Court of Appeal has denied
Mrs. Vanderbilt's motion for a
stay of execution of the ruling re-
garding the custody of her daugh-
ter but has ruled that the child
may spend Christmas Day with her
mother if her aunt consents.
—Reuter.

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UTILITIES RAMP IN NEW YORK

President To Confer With City's Mayor

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL

Washington, To-day.
President Roosevelt yesterday
revealed that he was interested
in New York's fight for lower
utilities rates. He said that
Mayor La Guardia was scheduled
to confer with him shortly on the
subject.

New York is angered at the
high gas, electricity, and steam
rates submitted for municipal
buildings and the City officials
are considering the erection of a
municipal power plant.—United
Press, per S. E. Lary and Co.

FRANCE TO MODERNISE ARMAMENTS

800,000,000 FRANCS GRANTED

STATE MANUFACTURE AND CONTROL PROPOSAL DEFEATED

Paris, To-day.

The Chamber, by 460 votes
to 130 yesterday adopted a
Bill providing a supplementary
credit of 800,000,000 francs
for the modernisation of
France's war material.

A Socialist amendment,
which the Premier made a
question of confidence, pro-
posing State manufacture of
arms and control of the arms
trade from January 1 was de-
feated by 388 votes to 199,
but the Government accepted
a Radical-Socialist request for
a debate on the subject in Jan-
uary.—Reuter.

GIGANTIC ITALIAN RECLAMATION

II Duce Inaugurates New Province

Rome, To-day.

Signor Mussolini in a broad-
cast last night inaugurated the
new Italian province of
Littorio, which is composed
mainly of land reclaimed from
the Pontine Marshes.

Signor Mussolini said that it
would take another 10 years to
complete the work of reclama-
tion and added that in order
that the gigantic task should
not be interrupted the Italian
nation must have great
strength in arms.—Reuter.

ATLANTIC DRAMA

BRITISH TANKER PUMPING OIL INTO MOUNTAINOUS SEAS

U.S. LINER FORCED TO HEAVE TO

10-Knots Just Secured In Teeth Of Gale

CREW STRANDED ON RUDDERLESS BOAT

New York, To-day.

Seven vessels belong-
ing to three different na-
tions answered the
S.O.S. calls from a small
Norwegian lumber ves-
sel, the s.s. Sisto, which
is rudderless, listing bad-
ly, and being swept by
heavy seas in mid-Atlan-
tic.

The British tanker,
Mobiloil is a present
standing by to render
assistance at daylight.

24-HOUR NIGHTMARE ENDS AS CREW ARE RESCUED

New York, Later.
The crew of 16 on board the
Norwegian steamer Sisto have
been successfully removed to the
steamer New York.

The Sisto has been left sinking
with one feeble light burning. She
had been in distress for the past
24 hours, her rudder, bridge, and
boats having gone.

Searchlights from the Europa
and Aurania were trained on the
scene of the rescue, while all the
vessels standing by were pumping
oil on to the waters to lessen the
violence of the waves.—Reuter.

The Mobiloil is pumping oil on
the wild seas and reports that the
Sisto's rudder is twisted, her
bridge has disappeared, and se-
veral of her lifeboats have been
smashed by the heavy seas.—
Reuter.

Seven Ships Answer S.O.S. Call

London, To-day.

Seven ships, of three different
nations, four of them great liners,
yesterday raced through a violent
Atlantic gale to the help of the
Norwegian steamer Sisto, a ves-
sel of 1,120 tons which had sent
out distress calls.

The Sisto was on a voyage from
Quebec to Europe and the message
from her stated, "Need urgent as-
sistance. Rudder apparently broken.
Hurricane and tremendous sea.
Ship drifting broadside to wind.
Lifeboats washed away. Bridge
partly smashed and sea rolling on
deck."

The Norddeutscher Lloyd liner,
Europa, and three United States
lines' vessels, the Washington, Man-
(Continued on Page 12)

British Coast Lashed By Gales

London, to-day.—Rough weather
was also experienced round the
British coasts yesterday.
The Walmer, Deal and Lowestoft
lifeboats all answered calls from
coasting craft in distress.—British
Wireless Service.

MAIL SCHEDULES

The Postmaster General announces that as from 1st November the Parcel Post rates to the United Kingdom will be reduced to—

1 lb.	7 lb.	11 lb.	22 lb.
\$1.40	2.50	3.50	6.00

Private letter-boxes may now be rented at the Kowloon Post Office. Full information regarding them may be obtained from the Officer in charge of that office.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS

Christmas and New Year cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, i.e., 4 cents per 2 ounces. Envelopes must not be closed.

INWARD MAILS.

FROM EUROPE

Kutsang (Air Mail ex Amsterdam) Dec. 20
Ajia Dec. 21

FROM JAPAN

Emp. of Russia Dec. 20
Bokuyō Maru Dec. 20
Yasukuni Maru Dec. 20
Pres. Coolidge Dec. 21
General Pershing Dec. 21
Atsuta Maru Dec. 21
Pres. Adams Dec. 22
Asama Maru Dec. 22
Montevideo Maru Dec. 22
Nankin Dec. 23
Naruto Maru Dec. 23

FROM U.S.A.

Pres. Coolidge Dec. 20
Emp. of Russia Dec. 20
Pres. Adams Dec. 21

FROM MANILA

Kamo Maru Dec. 20

FROM SHANGHAI

Emp. of Russia Dec. 20
Yasukuni Maru Dec. 20
Pres. Coolidge Dec. 21
General Pershing Dec. 21
Asama Maru Dec. 22
Menelaus Dec. 22
Pyrrhus Dec. 22
Ixion Dec. 23

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Kutsang Dec. 20
Tottori Maru Dec. 20
Fushimi Maru Dec. 21
Tashima Maru Dec. 21
Somali Dec. 21

FROM AUSTRALIA

Kamo Maru Dec. 20

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR EUROPE

Patroclus (Via Marseilles) Dec. 19
Closes Reg. 8.45 a.m. Ord. 9.30 a.m.
Yasukuni Maru (Via Marseilles) Dec. 21

FOR U.S.A.

Fushimi Maru Dec. 22

FOR JAPAN

Kamo Maru Dec. 21
Fushimi Maru Dec. 22

FOR SHANGHAI

Fushimi Maru Dec. 22

FOR MANILA

Emp. of Russia Dec. 20
Pres. Coolidge Dec. 21
Pres. Adams Dec. 21
Atsuta Maru Dec. 21

FROM INDIA

Sulzang Dec. 22
Montevideo Maru Dec. 22

FOR AUSTRALIA

Atsuta Maru Dec. 22

FOR STRAITS

Yasukuni Maru Dec. 21
Sulzang Dec. 22
Montevideo Maru Dec. 22

VIA SIBERIA—Letters and post-cards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

The Woman's Page

The Craze For Gifts For The Jumble Sale

Knitting

Winter Predictions

The craze for knitting is only excelled by the craze for crossword puzzles, and even as old gentlemen have taken to solving the latter between their morning egg and tea, so young ladies have left crosswords for cable stitch, and the air hums with "one plain, two purl, slip one," and so forth. Wireless is on the increase, probably because it keeps other people quiet while the knitter can mutter orisons in stitchery. Knitting literature has increased as much as the output of novels, and no woman worth her salt would dream of being without a knitting bible, providing everything from babies' trousers to coats and skirts complete.

While big dress-designers vie with each other in making knitting look like something which is not knitting, the average knitter—and she is Everywoman—is content to buy her ounces of x-ply wool and apply it to her arm and chest measurement. This winter she will reckon to fill her drawer with jumpers, to say nothing of moss-stitching sweaters for the male of her choice who himself is not engaged in knitting. Knitting not only fills the cracks—in trains and sometimes between luncheon courses, to say nothing of efforts on behalf of the unemployed,—it fills the mind as well. The mind, which disregards the wireless, except as a comfort, is full of little sums, full of digits which somehow turn into sleeves or cowls or cardigans.

Perhaps the weak point of knitting is that at bottom it is usually much less original than dressmaking. The directions given in knitting-books are usually foolproof—or would be if their authors could write at all,—with the result that most knitters follow a pattern blindly, instead of embarking on their own adventure. Experimental knitting is skilled and interesting. To follow a pattern is industrious alone.

IT SOUNDS ELDERLY

The Tunic

London. The tunic is not, perhaps, so good for the modern figures as the slim, straight, boyish silhouette of three or four years ago. The return to the bust-line of Victorian days is best for the blouse and bolero of that period. However, the tunic, with its attractive variations, is a recognised factor in the modern mode. Redolent of by-gone days is the tunic in satin in (Continued At Foot Of Next Col.)

REGISTERED and PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given above unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. AIR MAIL—Imperial Airways via Singapore, Bandoeng-Amsterdam via Singapore, Saigon-Marseilles via Saigon. Correspondence for Europe and intermediate countries will be accepted for transmission by these Services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the General Post Office and Kowloon Office. All letters etc., must be marked "By Air Mail" and handed in at the General Post Office. Unless superscribed for despatch by a special air mail service, correspondence will be forwarded by the first service available.



Heavy black velvet with a leopard skin trim fashions this smart suit worn by Madge Evans, screen player. The wide revers and belt are of fur. Another feature of interest is the inverted bell collar.

WOMEN THROUGH WOMEN'S EYES

Any woman in search of apt quotations to clinch a marital argument will find a telling batch in the following selections from recent novels by women writers.

Jane Lyle in "Three Times Round" (Ward Lock, 7/6): "Why on earth a woman saddles herself with a husband I do not understand. One can be so jolly and happy without one." "There aren't any perfect marriages. Some are only a little less of a failure than others." Hilda Rhodes in "A Moorland Vendetta" (Wright and Brown, 3/6): "A woman's a match for any man if she lets her head and not her heart guide her!" Isabel Hay Macdonald in "The Fairy Hill" (Duckworth, 7/6): "If people are too like each other it hardly ever makes a happy marriage." Netta Syrett in "Judgment Withheld" (Geoffrey Bles, 7/6): "It would be awful to work as hard as some women worked to attract and subjugate men."

PARCHEMENT SATIN

A matching vest front of cream or parchment satin go well with a collar on a dark red afternoon frock.

one colour, and the skirt of black wool or velvet.

At one dress display it was seen in dark mulberry satin and black velvet, an old-world fabric combination. How elderly it sounds! Yet, we can always be certain that the modern way never really conveys any idea of age.

Cast-Offs That Take On New Life

One of the obvious ways for people to help unemployed families is to send clothes, says a writer in an English paper. Out of some hundreds of parcels which came to one centre there were hardly any composed entirely of jumble. In one or two instances the rag bag had evidently been emptied hurriedly, but bits of lace, old pieces of calico, ends of dress lengths are all useful in a social centre. The care with which most parcels were tied up was evidence that the senders considered the clothes worthy of careful distribution. In two instances trunks were sent with a note to send them back again when empty. Tea-chests were chosen by some people, and one perambulator arrived stuffed with clothes.

Menfolk The Shabbiest Women's clothes were in greater abundance than men's, although in an unemployed family it is frequently the man who looks the shabbiest. The women's coats showed the march of fashions during the last four or five years with attenuated bits of fur and fancy markings. Most of them with a little adaptation will be fit for wear. There was an enormous pile of hats—felt, velvet, and straw—often fitted inside one another as if the senders were glad to see the last of them. Most of them had been rolled and squeezed for packing, and will probably be used for making an ingenious sort of felt slipper in which the centre specializes.

Boots and shoes were welcome, as their cost is usually one of the big items in an unemployed budget. The shoes outnumbered the boots easily, and hardly any of them had reached the unenviable stage. The difficulty in sorting was to keep the pairs together. There were more blacks than browns, and a surprising number of fancy shoes with coloured tops and strange leathers. The old-time plimsoll was there in abundance, and also the sort of shoe which seems to large for any mortal foot. But they have all gone, including the scores of children's shoes which had been worn by successive generations and are still worth patching.

SOMBRELY AUSTERS

London. Black velvet and black fox—sombrely austere and distinguished—were shown to advantage in an Irene Dana suit that was lightened by a blouse of flowered lame.



Prevent Colds conquer Sore Throat by taking FORMAMINT The Germ-Killing Throat Tablets

SANDALS FOR 1935 SEASIDE WEAR

Low Heels Are Smart

London.

Heels of smart shoes are becoming decidedly lower as the season advances. Both for day wear and for evening this rule holds good.

For evening, low-heeled sandals are the most fashionable form of footwear now. Quite charming and very practical are those in plain gilt or silver leather. Newer still are the sandals made entirely of plaited gold, silver or coloured leather, and white-plated leather sandals will be the thing for 1935 seaside wear.

Other dance shoes have rounded toes, flat heels, and instep straps—the kind of shoe in fact that professional dancers used to have specially made for them. This kind of shoe will be worn a great deal with the director type of evening gown.

Some of the more elaborate evening sandals are made of strips of gilded leather studded with glass beads in the colour of rubies, emeralds and other precious stones. Crepe de chine and satin dance shoes are adorned with glass bead buckles in deeper tones of the same colour. Velvet sandals give an attractive finishing touch to a velvet evening frock.

For Walking

Lace-up Oxford shoes, or shoes with a lace-up instep strap, are the best and most practical choice for wear with tailored suits. Many of the newest models have rounded toes. Some suede Oxford shoes have glass toe-caps, others have strappings of glass, and others have decorative stitching to simulate toe-caps. Many shoes are decorated with all-over punched designs. Very smart are shoes in navy blue calf decorated in this style.

Shoe manufacturers are determined that women shall keep their feet dry this winter. Among the models introduced for the winter season are Derby shoes in willow calf with proofed soles. They are beautifully cut and so practical for really wet weather.

"Hush!" by Edith Manning.

Tread softly on the stairway, An' softly close the door, Our baby's got a fever, Which he's never had before.

Mos' times he is so happy, An' now to hear his cries, Brings such a drefful heart-ache, And burning to my eyes.

I thought I'd ask the doctor, To make him quickly well, 'Cos he's our only baby, Now I'm a growed-up gel.

But doctor only smiled and said, 'Just run and play, my dear, 'We've Tablets that are Baby's Own, 'There's nothing much to fear.'

So now I feel much happier, 'Cos always when I'm sick, I ask my mummy for them too, An' get well—Oh! so quick!

BABY'S OWN TABLETS

A Medical Child-Specialist's Prescription FOR CHILDREN'S AILMENTS

THE HONG KONG

PENINSULA HOTEL;
HONG KONG HOTEL; REPULSE BAY HOTEL;
PEAK HOTEL;

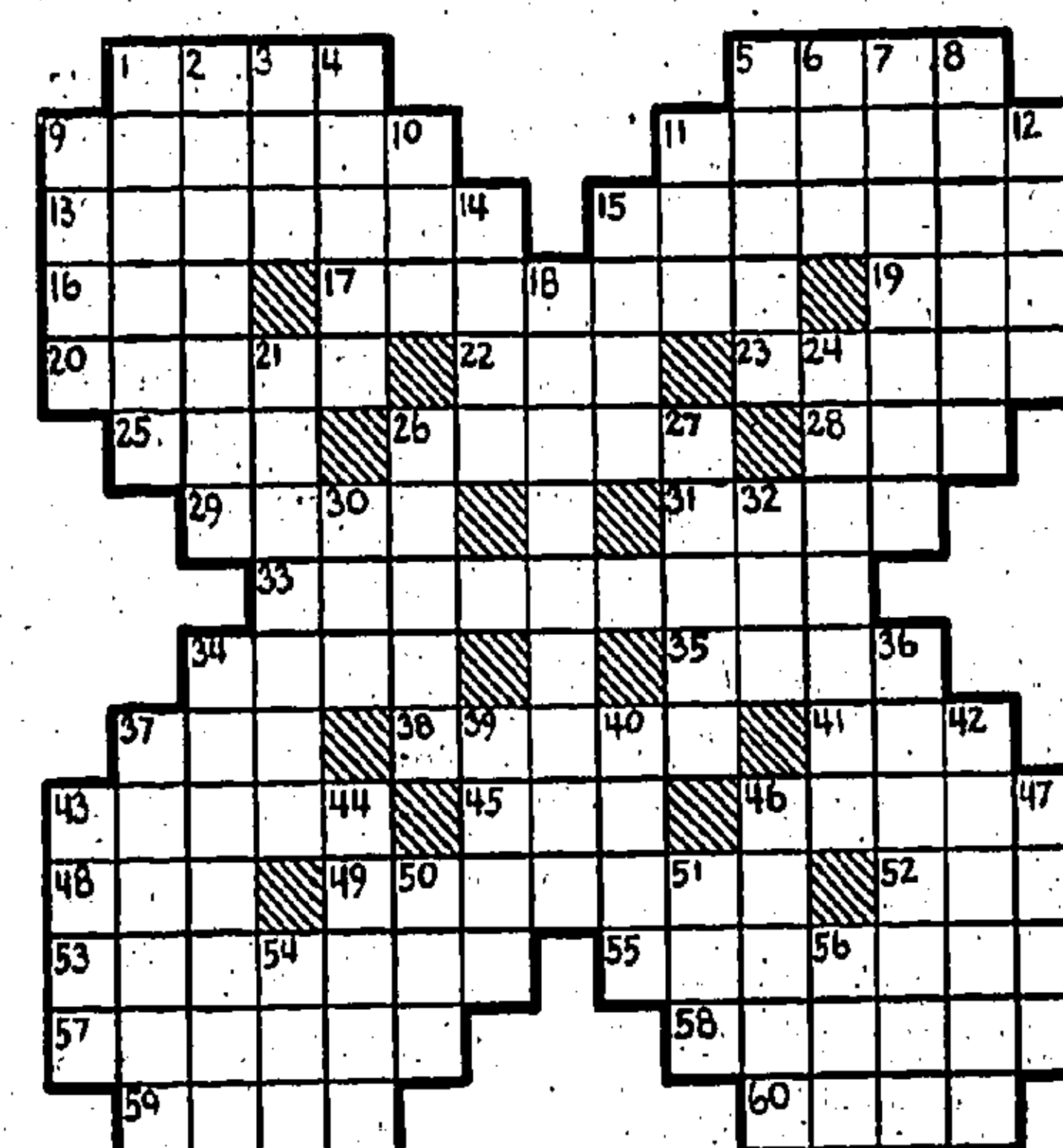
& SHANGHAI

ASTOR HOUSE; PALACE HOTEL;
HOTELS,
LIMITED.

In association with the Grand Hotel des Wagons Lits, Peking

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1-River in N. E. Spain
5-Grasp
9-Come
11-Ascend
13-Increase in rank (Mil.)
15-Fashionable
16-Basso (abbr.)
17-Those born in a given country
19-A fish with a spear-like snout
20-Steak by-cards
22-Metric land measure
23-Prostrate
25-Turkish governor of Algeria
26-Ascend
28-Entomology (abbr.)
29-College official
31-A fabulous bird (pl.)
33-A variety of magnetite
34-Ivory cubes
35-Agitate
37-Suffice
38-Struck
41-Vessel (abbr.)
42-The Harcourt League
43-Curious scraps of literature

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

45-Branch of the Aryan family
48-Skill
49-Full of daring
52-S. W. State of United States (abbr.)
53-Pertaining to a trial
55-A cavalryman
57-A fusible metal
58-Rattles
59-Title of former Russian ruler
60-Pretail (abbr.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

14-Of a doctor
15-Class of birds
18-Hard earthy ore of iron
21-Part of the eye (pl.)
24-Aquile
28-Mountain range in South America
29-Appearing as if gnawed
30-Army Ordnance Corps (abbr.)
32-A province of Canada (abbr.)
34-Notches (Harr.)
35-Backslide
37-A bird of the warm regions
38-Solid refuse from wine-making
40-A president of the United States
42-City thoroughfare
43-A head covering (pl.)
44-A serpent
45-Notes of drawing a cork
47-A title (pl.)
50-Atmosphere
51-Vase with a foot
54-Girl's name
56-Old Irish (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

STAGE WEDDING GOWN

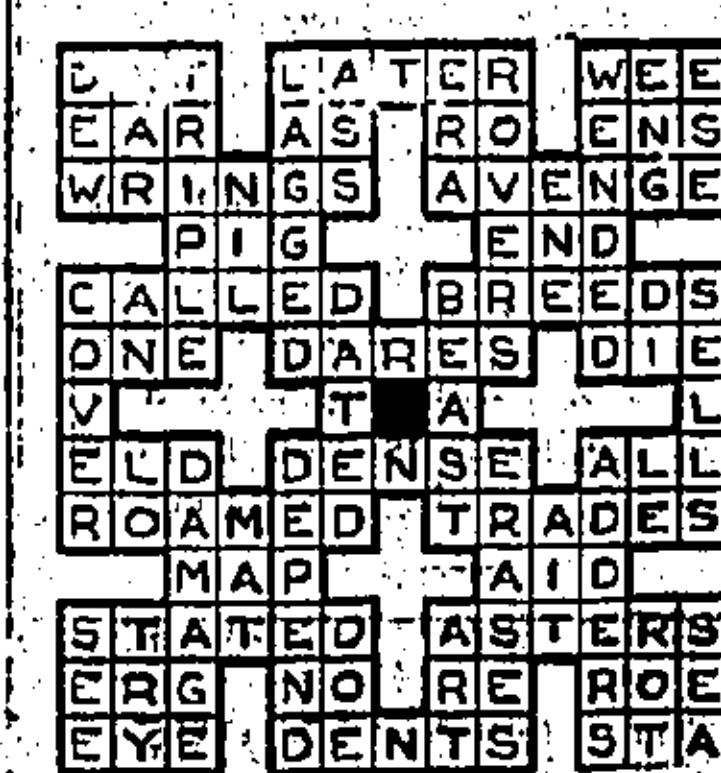
London.

Extremely modern, but also very simple, are the gowns worn by Miss Gertrude Lawrence in Cleopatra, Dane's new play at the Queen's Theatre.

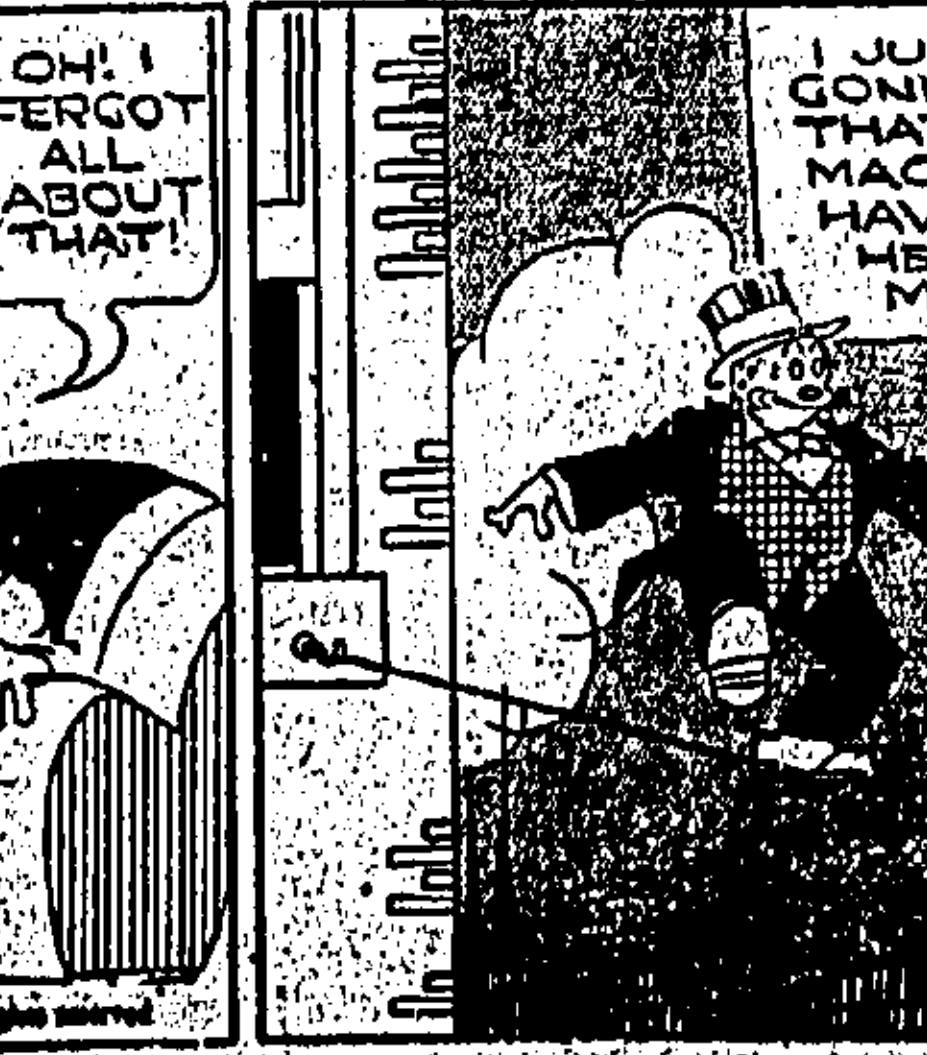
Many brides like to choose a wedding gown that can do duty as an evening dress later. Miss Lawrence wears a bridal robe adapted as an evening gown.

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Amusements

Cinema Notes

"THE BLACK CAT"—KING'S THEATRE

One of the most unusual pictures of the season, bringing with it all the uncanny mystery and horror of "Frankenstein" and "Dracula," plus the added thrills supplied by those two creators of eerie roles, Boris Karloff and Bela Lugosi, "The Black Cat" is now showing at the King's Theatre.

"The Black Cat," suggested from a story by Edgar Allan Poe, is a Universal production.

The splendid supporting cast includes David Manners, Jacqueline Wells, Lucille Lund, Egon Brecher, Harry Cording, Henry Armette and Albert Conti.

"100% PURE"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

Dazzling Jean Harlow, the platinum blonde screen star, comes to the Queen's Theatre in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's romantic drama, "100% Pure," with Franchot Tone and Lionel Barrymore.

The film tells the story of Eddie Chapman, a very modern girl, much desired by all rich men who meet her, but who is determined to remain a lady and have nothing to do with anyone except in return for a wedding ring.

The picture flits with lightning rapidity from the luxurious haunts of New York to the pleasure palaces of Florida and back again.

Franchot Tone plays a rich man's son who falls madly in love with Eddie.

Lionel Barrymore shares leading honours in the role of the exceedingly wealthy T. R. Paige father of Franchot Tone.

Humour is supplied by Patsy Kelly, the popular New York stage comedienne.

The fifth member of the notable quintet that heads the cast of the picture is Lewis Stone, who can always be depended upon for a first-class performance.

"LITTLE CAESAR"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Edward G. Robinson, the noted character actor, is starred in W. R. Burnett's famous novel, "Little Caesar," produced by First National, now showing at the Alhambra Theatre.

"Little Caesar" gives a startlingly realistic impression of gangsters, from the lowest "rat" or petty thief, up to the "Big Boy," or heads of gangs.

The picture shows vividly the various social strata within crookdom. The petty thieves and pickpockets are seen in cheap rooming houses in the foreign quarter of a large city, while the big racketeers live a life of luxury if not security.

A dazzling array of stars appear in the picture and over 200 of Hollywood's most beautiful girls are in the supporting cast.

"JUST SMITH"—STAR THEATRE

A lively comedy full of sparkling dialogue, "Just Smith," featuring Tom Walls, Hartley Power and Eva Moore, is now showing at the Star Theatre.

As Smith, a polished society crook, Tom Walls, cunning and urbane, has never appeared to better advantage.

"Just Smith" is adapted from the Frederick Lonsdale comedy "Never Come Back," a very successful stage play and the story concerns one "Smith," and his colleague, an American (a part-brilliantly played by Hartley Power), who cultivate society in order to pilfer their bonds.

Clever performances are also given by Anne Grey, Carol Gooden, Veronica Rose, and Peter Gawthorne.

"SADIE MCKEE"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

Written by Vina Dalmis, author of "Bad Girl," Sadie McKee, starring pretty Joan Crawford, a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production is now at the Majestic Theatre.

The story is long and complicated running the gamut of the life of pretty Sadie McKee who begins as a poor working girl, and marries a multi-millionaire, but finally goes back to the boy who left her at the marriage license counter years before.

Supporting Jean Crawford are Gene Raymond, Franchot Tone, Edward Arnold and Esther Ralston.



The reverend S. Uranga, left, and the reverend M. Deoses, right, who are in charge of the Guadalupe mission in Juarez, Mexico, built in the sixteenth century, have been forced to leave Mexico at the command of the government, which is ordering all priests out of the country. They were the only two remaining priests in the northern section of Chihuahua.

BRIDGE NOTES

LUCK ELEMENT

by Ely Culbertson.

When a player holds a six-card suit headed by the Ace-King-Queen, guarded Kings in two other suits and a King-Queen combination in the fourth, about the best luck he could hope for after an opponent has opened the bidding is to have the other side reach a contract of three notrump, particularly if they are vulnerable.

An inspection of such a hand as S-K Q H-K 5 4 D-A K Q 8 3 2 C-K 5

would convince any Contract player that the penalty to be suffered by the ambitious Declarer is likely to be impressive and calculated to curb an adverse propensity to overbid.

Thus reasoned my friend, Mr. Albert H. Morehead, Technical Editor of The Bridge World, when East dealt the hand below:

East, Dealer

East and West vulnerable

NORTH:—

S-9 6 4 3

H-9 6

D-6 5

C-9 7 4 3 2

WEST:—

S-J 10 7 5 3

H-A 10 8 3 2

D-9

C-10 6

SOUTH:—

S-K Q

H-K 5 4

D-A K Q 8 3 2

C-K 5

EAST:—

Mr. Morehead

S-A 8

H-Q J 7

D-J 10 7 4

C-A Q J 8

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs.)
East South West North
1D (1) Pass (2) 1S Pass
2C (3) Pass (4) 2H (5) Pass
2NT (6) Pass 3NT (7) Pass
Pass Dbl. (8) Pass Pass
Pass

1-A—super-refinement of the Approach principle. Exactly why East bid diamonds in preference to clubs is not apparent.

2-South decides to await developments.

3-East now makes the bid which he should have made as an opening bid.

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"TO-MORROW AT SEVEN"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

"To-morrow At Seven" is a sensational comedy combined with high drama, featuring Chester Morris and Vivienne Osborne. The film, directed by Ray Enright for the Jefferson Pictures Corporation, has its plot in a thrilling mystery, in an aeroplane. Miss Osborne provides the love interest.

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SPORTING Page

NEW M.C.C. LEGISLATION SECURES MIXED RECEPTION IN ENGLAND

THE WOMEN DON'T WANT TO CALL IT "TEST" CRICKET

Cricket Tour To Foster Spirit Of The Game

Perth.
The English women cricketers, whose programme includes three matches against Australia, have arrived here.
They were given a civic reception at Fremantle and, in reply to a speech of welcome, Miss Betty Archdale, the English captain, said it was discouraging to hear the name of Test cricket being mentioned in connection with the tour. The object of the visit was to popularise the game among the women of Australia.

RECREIO HOCKEY WIN OVER Y.M.C.A.

Losers Again Field Depleted Side

Playing at King's Park yesterday with only seven men, the European Y.M.C.A. were defeated by the Recreio by 2 goals to 1, in their friendly hockey encounter.
The Recreio, who fielded a full side, assumed the aggressive from the start and scored early on through Gonsalves, but after that the "Y" defence played brilliantly and kept out the invaders.
In the second half, the Recreio went further ahead when Alves netted in a melee, but the Y.M.C.A. reduced the deficit when S. Fowler scored from the edge of the circle.

LADIES' INTERPORT HOCKEY

Successful Dance In Shanghai

LAST SEASON'S TROPHIES PRESENTED

Shanghai, Dec. 14.
Over 300 of Shanghai's dancing enthusiasts enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon at the Astor House Hotel yesterday, when the Shanghai Ladies' Hockey Association held their tea dance with the object of raising funds to send a team to Hong Kong to play an interport match by invitation.
Judging by the generous attendance at the dance, it looked as if the association would have every chance of attaining their object.
The committee of the association had arranged for two very attractive live dance numbers to entertain the guests. Miss June Summers and Miss Joy Blackwood were the performers in tap and clog dances.
The president, Mrs. W. Weston, gave a short address. On behalf of the Shanghai Ladies' Hockey Association she thanked those present for their interest and support and talked a little of the plans that were being made to send a team to Hong Kong early in the New Year. She also expressed the gratitude of the association for the practical assistance and encouragement.
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China Mail Sports Diary

TO-DAY
Badminton—Men's Doubles, "A" Division
Elliot Hall v. Chinese R.C.
Kowloon C.C. v. St. Andrew's
"B" Division
Y.M.C.A. v. Club de Recreio
V.R.C. v. Taihook R.C.
Fire Brigade v. Sailors' Soldiers
Home, 8 p.m.
Hockey—Mamak Tournament
Royal Signals v. Twelfth Battery
(Marina, 4 p.m.)
Friendly
Hong Kong Club v. H.M.S. Medway
Hunting
Fanning Hunt (Sheung Shui Cross Roads), 3.15 p.m.
Rugby
Club "A" v. Navy Fifteen
(Club ground, 4.45 p.m.)

HANS NUSSLEIN BEATS "BIG BILL" TILDEN BRILLIANT DISPLAY BY PROFESSIONALS MARTIN PLAA DEFEATS MASKELL

London, Nov. 22.

The third day of the Professional Lawn Tennis tournament at Wembley provided—in the atmosphere of a foggy railway station—play which only masters could have produced.

How Tilden and Nusslein could play at such tremendous speed in such light without a hint of slowing the pace to suit the conditions was marvellous. In the five sets in which Nusslein beat Tilden there was not a moment's boredom, and towards the end of the fifth set strokes came from the obviously tired American that achieved a veritable pinnacle of brilliance.

Too weary for over much chasing, this man of 42 opened his shoulders to spare his legs. The crowd of some 5,000 did, indeed, get their money's worth in that last set, and they showed it.

The two men started badly, but they soon warmed up. Tilden forcing the pace all the time, producing sizzling winners down the line with his sliced backhand. His cannon-ball service was prolific of aces, and his long legs covered the base line as of yore, though he still showed his dislike of having to run forward to drop-shots, of which Nusslein produced a beauty whenever opportunity offered.

A magnificent half-volley, backhand drive won Tilden the first set. He made it while racing to the corner in chase of one of Nusslein's hardest drives.

Tilden Drops Next Set

Nusslein's impeccable defence got the upper hand of the American's attack from the commencement of the second set and, as with Cochet of old, there was at times a vivacious sting in his defence. Tilden finally decided to let the second set go by the board.
In the third, Nusslein led 4-0, but Tilden, showing all the fighting capacity of his amateur days, went all out for his shots and finally won the third set at 7-5. In the fourth, with Tilden reacting, Nusslein made the score two sets all, and the fifth set inevitably fell to the greater stamina of the younger man. Nusslein won by 3-6, 6-1, 5-7, 6-2, 6-4.

In the first match of the evening Maskell had started against Plaa with far more confidence than he had shown previously, and by fast, good-length drives and occasional volleys led 2-love and 40-15, eventually, however, conceding the third game.

The Englishman forced the pace, especially on his fore-hand, than which there are few more beautiful, fully-produced strokes in the game. But Plaa, making the fewer mistakes, took the set at 6-3.
The confidence engendered by having this set in his pocket took Plaa to 3-love in the second. Then, with Maskell serving, a very fine rally won by him brought the house down. Almost all Maskell's mistakes came from his back-hand.

Maskell Inaccurate

The English coach's play was at times most attractive, but it fell far short of the standard of accuracy that the professionals have achieved, and by many mistakes he frittered away winning positions he so often achieved during a rally.
The second set was Plaa's at 6-1.

In the third Maskell had more control over his coup-de-grace, but had the Frenchman running all over the court, and it is much to the latter's credit that, despite this, he often ended the rally with a winner and picked up from 5-3 down to 5 all.
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UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE DATE FIXED

The Oxford University v. Cambridge University boat race has now been fixed to take place on Saturday, April 6, 1935, at about 2.30 p.m.

VINES ANNEXES TENNIS TROPHY IN EPIC CLASH

Beats Nusslein At Own Game

TILDEN VANQUISHES FRENCHMAN

London, Nov. 23.

The feature of the fourth day's programme in the Professional Tournament at Wembley last night was the match between Ellsworth Vines and Hans Nusslein, the two undefeated contestants for the Benson Cup.

The American ex-Wimbledon champion formed a striking contrast, with his raking service and fierce drives, to the stocky German, whose game, developed with the Tilden troop, combines the most perfect defence with consequent threat of riposte.

Both players took time to warm up, but Nusslein soon showed he could handle Vines' service by winning at 2-love in the fifth game to lead 3-2. He followed this by winning his own service to love, Vines then served a love game, matching Nusslein's fine drop shot of the previous game by one just as good.

The German refused to be hit off the court even by Vines' best shots. Indeed, he was quite prepared to make the most wonderful passes off them. Maintaining his fine defence, he won the first set at 6-4.

In the second Vines subjected Nusslein to a fierce bombardment, but the latter's uncanny anticipation and speed of foot withstood all but the most brilliant of coups.

Cunning Drop-Shots

Once started, Vines could keep up his pace to win a long rally, but with rhythm broken he would fall over the simplest ball. Nevertheless, there were fierce exchanges of lightning speed that took the
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MR. NG SZE KWONG HONOURED

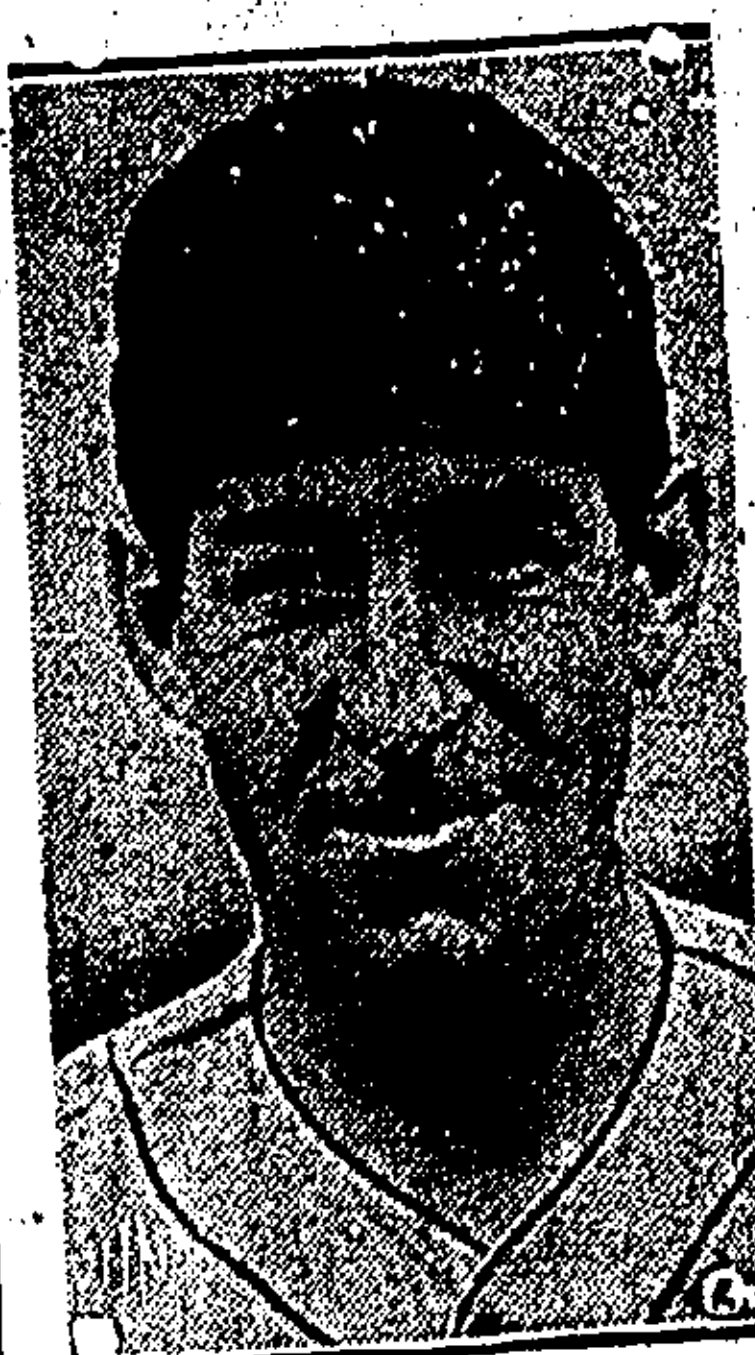
Invited To Join China's Davis Cup Committee

PAST COLONY CHAMPION

Mr. Ng Sze-kwong, the veteran Chinese Recreation Club tennis player and holder of the Colony's Men's Singles' title on six occasions, has been invited to join the selection committee of five, to choose China's 1935 Davis Cup team to play in the American Zone.

Mr. Chu Min-ye, Minister of Railways in the Nanking Government, will be the Chairman of the Committee.

It is quite probable that Mr. Ng Sze-kwong will be elected as the non-playing captain, if he can possibly make the trip to America.



Stanley H. (Bucky) Harris returns to the Washington Senators as manager after six years' absence. He was replaced as manager of Boston Red Sox by Joe Cronin whose old job he now takes.

STEEL COULSON'S BILLIARDS

PETTY OFFICERS' MESS LEAD

GARRISON SERGEANTS' NARROW VICTORY

The Chief Petty Officer's Club are leading the Steel Coulson's Billiards League and recently secured two notable victories, beating the Garrison Sergeant's Mess by 270 points and the Royal Artillery Sergeant's Mess by 27 points.

In the third encounter played last week, the Royal Engineers' Sergeant's Mess beat the Garrison Sergeant's Mess by 45 points.

Detailed scores are given below:

G.P.O.'s Club	Garrison Sgts' Mess	Royal Artillery Sgts' Mess
Sargent	160 Flood	100
West	150 Dyer	120
Rose	150 John	103
Harper	94 Ranson	150
Elsey	150 Gross	89
Page	150 Digby	583
Total	844	Total

G.P.O.'s Club	R.A. Sgts' Mess	Garrison Sgts' Mess
John	150 Finkill	150
Dyer	150 Bloomfield	150
Digby	118 Gatwall	150
Williams	56 Wood	150
Smith	118 Longman	67
Total	778	Total

SUNDAY'S ANNUAL CHARITY FOOTBALL ENCOUNTER

Norway Mourns Passes

The sudden death, due to an apoplectic fit, of Norway's famous ski king Thorleif Haug, has caused a nation wide sorrow.
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Four Teams For Rugby League World's Championship

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BODY-LINE BOWLING'S DEATH-KNELL

HARD ON UMPIRES SAY COUNTY PLAYERS

FORMER TEST MANAGER'S PRAISE

LONDON, NOV. 23.
THE M.C.C.'S DEFINITION OF UNFAIR BOWLING AND THE DECISION TO TRY THE NEW LEG-BEFORE-WICKET RULE NEXT SEASON, SECURED A MIXED RECEPTION FROM COUNTY CRICKETERS YESTERDAY.

Even in Australia, where the ruling regarding direct attacks by bowlers upon batsmen was expected to be enthusiastically received, there is some criticism. For instance, Mr. W. A. Bull, treasurer of the Australian team which toured England this year, said: "The M.C.C. have not gone far enough. The umpires should have been given definite instructions."

MR. BULL ALSO REFERRED TO THE "UNDERSTANDING" REACHED ON FAST LEG-THEORY BY THE ENGLISH COUNTY CAPTAINS A YEAR AGO. "THERE'S NOTHING TO PREVENT THE GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT UNDER WHICH WE TOURED FROM BEING BROKEN AT ANY TIME," HE SAID.

NIGHT BASEBALL IN NATIONAL LEAGUE

SEVEN HOME GAMES FOR EACH CLUB

BABE RUTH'S FATE LEFT TO RUPPERT

New York, Dec. 13.

Night baseball will make its appearance in the regular schedule of the National League next season. The senior League executives approved their session here yesterday approved the arrangement of seven home games to be played in the evening under floodlight.

The American National League club magnates, holding separate sessions since Tuesday, probably will adjourn without a single important deal brightening their dull proceedings, it was indicated.

Apparently the problem of the future of Babe Ruth, now at Manila, remains to be left to Col. Jake Ruppert, owner of the New York Yankees.

Ruppert said in a statement on Tuesday that there were no offers from a major league club for the Bambino's services as manager, and that he was satisfied with Joe McCarthy as pilot of the Yankees and that Ruth would be offered a player's contract before the opening of next season.

SKI CHAMPION DIES SUDDENLY

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An even more critical view is taken by Mr. W. J. Johnson, a former Australian Test selector. "The M.C.C. has belatedly followed Australia," he declares. "But it would have been much more candid if they had adopted the Australian rules (to ban leg-theory) exactly. The M.C.C. is a little ashamed to come into the open."

In contrast, Mr. W. L. Kelly, a member of the Australian Board of Control and manager of the Australian touring team of 1930, said: "It is pleasing to see that M.C.C. have made a decision which will at last sound the death-knell of the form of bowling exploited by D. R. Jardine's side in 1932—namely, a direct attack at the batsman for the purpose of intimidation."

Among English cricketers the feeling is that umpires will have thankless tasks.

Larwood, whose fast leg-theory bowling helped England to win the Test series in Australia two years ago, declined to comment on the rulings. "They don't affect me at all," he said, when referring to the fact that the M.C.C.'s statement contains no reference to fast leg-theory bowling.

Other opinions were: Ames (Kent): Umpires are going to have a very difficult time deciding on unfair bowling. I think it should have been left to the players and captains.

"RATHER ARBITRARY": The ruling is rather arbitrary. Whether it will stop such bowling I am not prepared to say. I can't see that it dispenses with a packed leg-side field. It's going to be hard for umpires. You can't always define fast bowling. On a bumpy pitch caused by weather or wear a medium-paced bowler would be quite fast.

Bowes (Yorkshire): If they think these alterations are going to improve the game of cricket, then I shall do my best to abide by the rules. I don't know any bowler who deliberately bowls at the batsman. However, I am not even surprised there has been such a lot of discussion about leg-theory. As cricketers we shall try to abide by any legislation which the M.C.C. think to be for the betterment of cricket.

NOT FAIR ON UMPIRES?

Freeman (Kent): The umpires certainly will not like it. It is too much responsibility for them. I think it will stop the short fast stuff in the long run.

Sandham (Surrey): I don't think it is fair to the umpires. The strong-minded ones will take action and others leave it alone.
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EDINBURGH ACADEMICALS BEAT CAMBRIDGE XV

London, To-day.

Cambridge University were heavily defeated at rugby yesterday when they lost to the Edinburgh Academicals by 17 points to nil in Scotland. — Reuter.

CRICKETER WHO CREATED A STUMPING RECORD DEAD

Dismissed Three Players With Three Consecutive Balls

Mr. W. H. Brain, J.P., died recently at Dinas Powis aged 64. He played in the Clifton eleven and at Oxford, where he gained his blue as a Freshman and played against Cambridge in 1891, 1892, and 1893.

While playing for Gloucester, under the captaincy of W. G. Grace in 1893, he accomplished the unequalled feat of stumping three men with consecutive balls. The bowler was C. L. Townsend.

BRIGHTER CRICKET ADVOCATED

Too Many Young Men Play Golf

MACARTNEY "TRUTH" COMMENTS

London.
Too many young men are playing golf and neglecting cricket, according to C. G. Macartney, the famous Australian cricketer.

He deplores this and declares that brighter methods must be adopted if cricket is to become really popular again. He adds that the remedy, so far as club games are concerned, is the one-day match.

Macartney writes in "Truth". "In international cricket we have watched a few reputable batsmen score no faster than about 20 runs per hour, under perfect batting conditions. Such lack of enterprise is sufficient to drive more than the young cricketer away from the game."

MISS V. BRADBURY'S TENNIS WIN

Takes C.S.C.C. Ladies' Singles' Title

Miss Violet Bradbury, the 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Bradbury, won the Civil Service Cricket Club's Ladies' Singles lawn tennis championship yesterday when she defeated Mrs. Old by 9-7, 7-5.

Miss Bradbury is a prominent member of the "Y" Ladies' hockey team for whom she plays on the right wing.

SOCCER LEAGUE CHANGES

Match On New Naval Ground

Several changes have been made in the week-end soccer League programme.

On Saturday, the Second Division game between the Athletic and the Eastern will be played at Caroline Hill at 2.30 p.m., while at Sookunpo the same afternoon the Fusiliers will meet the Kowloon Juniors in the same division.

On Sunday the Navy and East Lancs will play off their Second Division tie on the new Naval ground at Causeway Bay, at 2.30 p.m.

ARMY AND NAVY IN CRICKET CLASH

The following have been selected to represent the Army at cricket against the Navy in a league match on Saturday, December 22, at King's Park commencing at 2.00 p.m.

Major V. T. Bonavia (R.A.M.C.), Capt. L. J. Walsh (R.A.S.C.), Capt. D. B. Mitchell (R.A.), Lt. C. C. Garthwaite (R.A.), Lt. J. P. Williams (E. Lancs), Lt. J. R. Johnson (E.W.F.), Lt. H. de B. Pritchard (R.W.F.), Lt. J. A. N. Rice Evans (R.W.F.), C.S.M. T. Elvin (E. Lancs), Capt. W. E. Colledge (R.A.M.C.), Capt. D. Ballard (R.A.S.C.), Reserve—P. B. Dwyer, (1/Lt.), Umpire—W.O.I.R. Jordan (R.E.), Score—L/Cpl. E. H. Meadows (R.A.M.C.).



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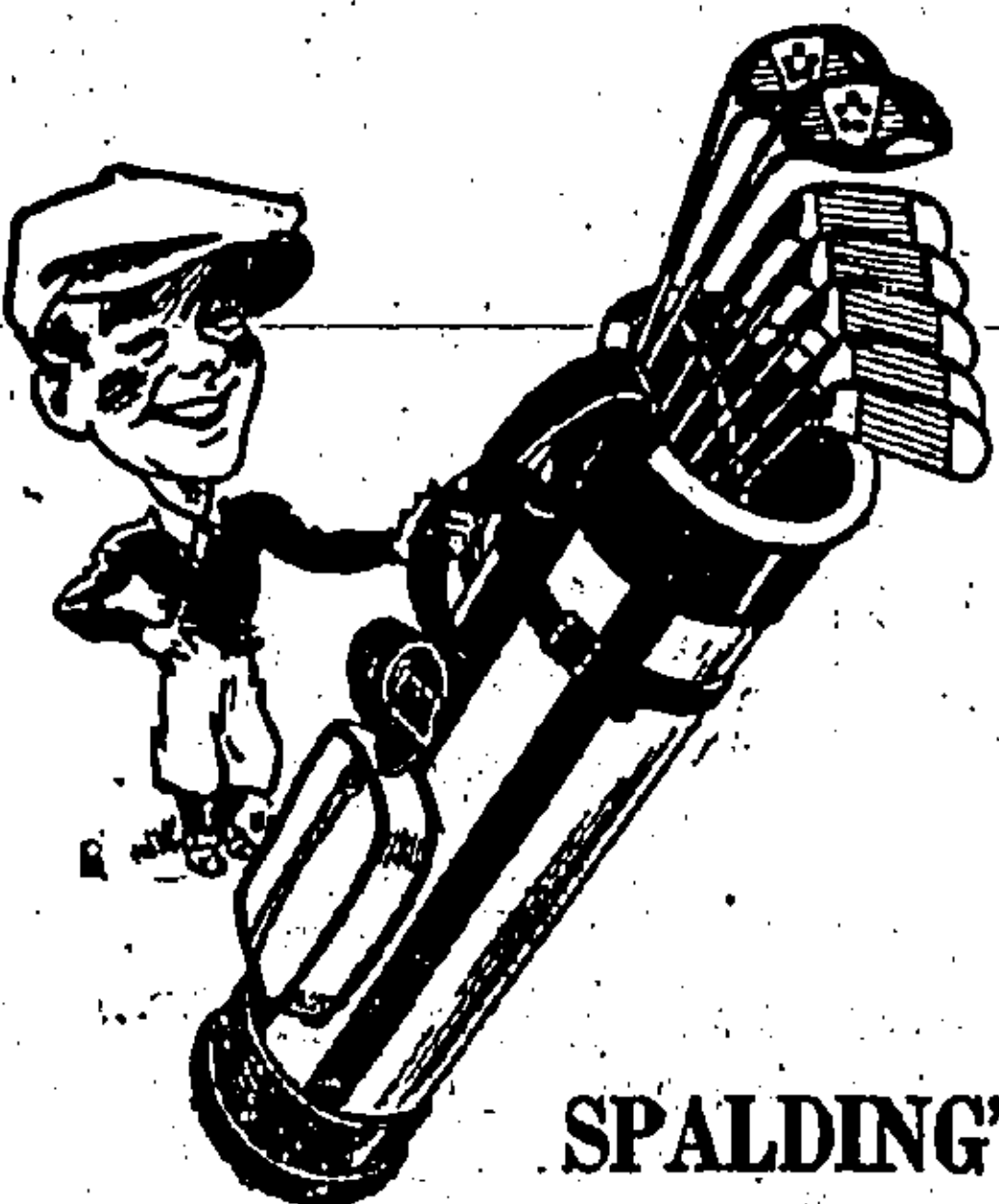
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SOCCER WEALTH NOT OWNED BY SHAREHOLDERS

SATISFACTORY YEAR FOR H.K. GOLF CLUB

Building Fund Now Started

MR. DODWELL ELECTED NEW CAPTAIN

The annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Golf Club was held yesterday evening at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson's when the Chairman, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, while reviewing the activities of the Club and its present financial position, mentioned that consequent on a decision previously taken to abandon the scheme of building a new Club House at Fanling, a Building Fund was now being started.

Having regard to conditions, he said, the financial position of the Club might be considered satisfactory.

The Chairman in his opening address said: Before referring in detail to the accounts I think it is proper that I should mention what was in some ways the principal event of the year under review, I mean the invaliding of Mr. Kerr. After a faithful service of 24 years Mr. and Mrs. Kerr were due in March 1935 to complete the final extension of their agreement, but to the regret of everyone Mr. Kerr in April of this year was medically reported to be in such a state of health that his active employment was out of the question for the residue of his term. After he had had a spell in hospital Mr. and Mrs. Kerr were sent home in a ship which left in August and I regret to say that though he survived the voyage successfully he is still reported to be so ill as to cause anxiety. I am sure that all present will wish him a speedy recovery and will hope that he and Mrs. Kerr will have many years of life before them.

New Superintendent

Steps were taken to recruit successors. In this the Club was very kindly aided by Major Cundall, Secretary of the Effingham Manor Golf Club, and by Mr. Hancock and Mr. Bruce of this Club, to all of whom I should like to take this opportunity of offering the grateful thanks of the Club. Mr. and Mrs. Hitchens were selected out of a very large list of candidates and arrived in the Colony on October 18.

The actual result of the year's working as shown in the Profit and Loss Account will be seen to be a loss of \$3,949.67 as against a profit in the preceding year of \$18,162.71, a total difference of \$22,112.38. In the second half of the Working Account there is only a difference between the two years of less than \$1,400, but it is in the first half of that Account that the explanation will be found of the position which would be disquieting if it appeared to be in any way likely to recur.

Mr. Greenhill's Retirement

This is, I regret to say, the last General Meeting at which we shall see the familiar face of Mr. L. S. Greenhill. The Fanling Greens Committee without Mr. Greenhill to help it will be almost like Hamlet without the Prince of Denmark. Successive committees have always subordinated all subsidiary interests like Clubhouses and the rest to the primary necessity of good golfing conditions; and it is no exaggeration to say that the Fanling Courses owe more to Mr. Greenhill's enthusiasm and experience than to any other single cause. In the name of all present I thank Mr. Greenhill for all that he has done and wish him all happiness in his retirement. (Applause.)

Special thanks are also due to Mr. Kinnaid who has once again (probably, as I regret to learn, for the last time) put in a great deal of hard work as Convener of the Happy Valley Sub-committee.

I now beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Account for the year ending September 30, 1934.

Mr. A. Ritchie seconded the motion, which was carried with applause.

Hon. Mr. Dodwell Elected

In proposing the election of the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell as Captain for the ensuing year, the Chairman said that it gave him great pleasure to do so. He went on to remark that no one appeared to have collected when Mr. Dodwell first appeared on the green: the archives of the Club and his own memory did not help them there; but Mr. Dodwell had stated that he started quite recently—only 21 years ago. Anyhow, three years after joining the Club, they found him Captain.



Bob Olin (inset), New York's new world light-heavyweight boxing champion. This picture, from his title match with Maxie Rosenbloom, shows Maxie on the canvas after a bit of wrestling in the first round. Fans booed the decision after the 15 rounds.

Body-Line Bowling's Death-Knell

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C. F. Walters (Worcester) (England's vice-captain): It will prevent intimidation, but an occasional bumper will not be objected to, for cricket is a manly game. W. A. Oldfield (Australia): I am delighted. This is the end of the "body-line" controversy. Alan Kippax (Australia): The M.C.C. have adopted the Australian rule in principle, leaving the responsibility with the umpires. It is the only way out. Let us hope this will end the matter.

New L.B.W. Rule Will "Ruin Game"

R.E.S. WYATT'S OPINION

Quick finishes—and a rich harvest for bowlers. This is the almost unanimous view of county players on the M.C.C.'s new l.b.w. rule. Some views are: R. E. S. Wyatt (Warrickshire and England captain): Bowlers will be encouraged to bowl inswingers and off-spinners as the result of which there will be more on-side and less off-side play. Why shouldn't a leg break bowler have the same advantage regarding l.b.w. as the off-break bowler? When the bowler gets help from the wicket, the batsman will not have a chance—it will ruin the game.

Sutcliffe (Yorkshire): It gives bowlers an overwhelming advantage. I entirely disagree with certain experts that it will encourage off-side play. That will not be improved.

This was quite historical.

Mr. Dodwell, continued the Chairman was again elected on another occasion. He was a very fine golfer and a genuine lover of Fanling, but what was more important at the present moment, a hard-headed man of business. (Applause.)

Mr. J. B. Ross seconded the motion, which was carried with applause.

New Committee

The following were elected members of the Incoming Committee: Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith and Messrs. G. S. Archbutt, C. D. Lambert, A. E. Lissaman, K. S. Morrison, A. Ritchie, T. J. J. Fenwick, A. Macfarlane and D. J. Gilmore.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth Fleming were appointed auditors for the ensuing year at a remuneration of \$1,500 per annum, on the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. G. S. Archbutt.

Entrance Fee

Mr. Frank Austin said: There is one point I would like to bring out at this meeting for special consideration, and that is the question of entrance fee.

The entrance fee was raised from \$50 to \$150 about one year ago, and I have heard from a number of men I have happened to meet that they would like to join the Golf Club but they thought the entrance fee of \$150 excessive. I would like to suggest that it might be revised to a fee of \$100 in place of \$150, and I would like to bring this to the Committee for their serious consideration.

The Chairman said that the matter would have the careful consideration of the Incoming Committee.

proved for one very important reason—hitting against the break through the covers is all against the principle of the game.

VERITY'S OPPOSITION

Verity (Yorkshire): How many men will get 1,000 runs in first-class cricket with this new l.b.w. rule in operation? How many centuries will there be? In my view, it is an experiment that will quickly end. Its effect is going to be more vital than many of us have thought. It is going to alter many things in the game—indeed, that it is reasonable to suggest is going to alter so many things that it is a retrograde step.

I stand to profit by the alteration. I know it will be possible for me to take a new ball and expect any amount of success with swingers. There will not be the call for me to spin the ball to get lbw decisions. I shall be able to get them with the ball that pitches outside the off stump and goes in to the batsman.

An umpire: It is going to be helpful. It is a chance for bowlers to take up spit again. Last summer Grimmett and O'Reilly showed what spin, coupled with flight and good length, can do.

ONE DAY MATCHES?

Freeman (Kent): If we have a sticky wicket matches are going to be over in a day. Batsmen have brought it on themselves. There were a lot of balls they let pass which they could have played.

H. J. Enthoven (Middlesex): The public have always wanted the l.b.w. law changed.

E. A. C. Thomson (secretary of Club Cricket Conference): Our organisation contains over 1,000 amateur clubs. The M.C.C. proposal to us and we shall consider it fully at our Council meeting next month.

Interviewed in Bombay, L. N. Constantine, the West Indian and Lancashire League fast bowler, stated that the new rule would give the bowlers much-needed help. Constantine added that the rule had been introduced to counteract the safety-first methods so common among batsmen these days.

Mr. B. J. T. Bosanquet, the famous former England and Middlesex bowler and inventor of the "googly" ball, said: "The decision is an attempt to shuffle out of the issue and place the responsibility on the shoulders of the umpire. The M.C.C. have shirked the issue. They ought to have a definite ruling, instead of wrapping it up in this fashion and leaving the problem in almost precisely the same position as before. The declaration will lead to considerable confusion among players and umpires."

Sir Stanley Jackson: It is a great added responsibility which will be right or wrong. Mr. Gilbert Jessop: So far as I can see this decision does not touch the problem at all. They have loaded down the umpire with responsibilities which are extremely onerous.

A Well-known Umpire: I would warn the bowler first, and then if he persisted I should turn to him and say, "You will have to go off." The captain of the side has nothing to do with it. I think it is hardly right. The decision should be up to the captains.

LITTLE KNOWN FACTS ABOUT FINANCE

TREMENDOUS POWER OF THE F.A.

(By FRANK M. CARRUTHERS)

"WHAT," I am asked, "is the value of a £1 share in the Arsenal club?"

Without sentiment or any other consideration entering into the question, its worth is fixed by the fact that it cannot earn a higher rate of interest than 7½ per cent. Possibly at the present time its value is about 30s.

It should be realised, too, that the shares of the Arsenal, despite the wonderful prosperity of the club, are not worth more than those of others who regularly pay their dividends. Even the value of assets do not make any difference.

But I remember the time when the Arsenal tried hard and not very successfully to sell their shares at £1 each. In about 1919 the late Sir Henry Norris prepared a scheme to attract the public to invest in the club.

No Open Market

The Arsenal, however, were not long anxious to sell their shares. They became buyers. The position is the same to-day. I should doubt whether an Arsenal share ever changes hands except privately and it is the same in the case of all the other leading clubs. There is no open market for football club shares.

How different the situation might have been except for the wonderful foresight of those who built the foundations of the game and laid down the principle that there should be no private or personal gain. But for this wise provision football would long since

VINES' ANNEXES

TENNIS TROPHY IN EPIC CLASH

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breath away. Perhaps the most brilliant gems of the match were the drop shots which frequently curled cunningly from both racquets.

At three-all Vines played perfect tennis, despite a few mistakes, to win the next game. Nusslein was being chased about so much that even his accuracy suffered.

At four-all Vines raised his game to its highest pitch, following up his flat drives to the net, and stowing away Nusslein's returns with hard volleys. Even then the German reached many of these to lob them up as food for Vines' devastating smash.

At five-all Vines followed up all his deliveries to lead 6-5, and continuing the pressure by speedy drives, ran out the second set on Nusslein's mistakes.

The German himself saved an ace to lead 3-1 in the third set. When Vines' shots come off, this is the perfect game. That is what happened, and the American had a run of three games to win the third set at 6-3.

The strain of retrieving the far-fung drives had proved too much for the German. Vines continued his speed of foot to the end of the longest rally, and won by 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, 8-6.

Tilden Beats Plas

This match had been preceded by one between Tilden and Martin Plas, which opened raggedly. Tilden appeared stiff after his great battle of the previous evening, and the Frenchman, taking full advantage of this, advanced to 3-1.

Tilden's game improved as his stiffness wore on, and he went from 4 all to 5-4. Plas equalised at 5 all, but Tilden hitting his best for the corners, ran out at 7-5.

In the second, with the score 2-1 to Tilden, there was a marvellous rally, in which Plas retrieved four apparently impossible drives, only to be beaten by a forehand carrying excessive slice. Tilden played almost entirely from the base line and won the set at 6-3. In vain did Plas try everything. He was run ragged on the base line and passed or lobbed whenever he came up. At times, however, his valiant efforts brought down the house. The better he played, so did Tilden, and towards the end of the third set won by Tilden at 6-3, the pace and accuracy of the play approached that of the Tilden-Nusslein encounter the previous day.

Plas showed obvious annoyance at a perfectly correct decision by a linesman, but pulled himself together and won Maskell's service in a brilliant rally to lead 7-6. The play in defence and attack now reached a very high standard for the last points, Plas winning the set and the match by 6-3, 6-1, 8-6.

have been exploited by the speculator, and if it had been able to withstand the inroads made upon it, would to-day be his El Dorado.

Should Be Studied

The financial regulations of football are remarkable. They do not obtain in any other sport or pastime, and I wish those who believe that the League with its professional interests is carried on as a hard-baked business would study them. They would quickly change their view.

Is it realised, for instance, that in effect the clubs do not belong even to the shareholders? What money the latter may have invested was simply in support of the game as it might be played on a certain ground and under certain management.

The clubs are national institutions, and as such they are under the direct control of the Football Association.

Worth £2,000,000

I do not think I exaggerate in estimating the value of the 98 clubs who form the League at over £2,000,000, but if it were possible to realise their assets none of this money, beyond what was necessary to discharge outstanding debts, would be theirs. As a matter of fact, in this sense even the players do not belong to the clubs. Possibly it is to some extent on this account that the play-lift staffs, who may have caused a big outlay in transfer fees, do not appear as assets on balance-sheets.

Imagine that one of the leading clubs for some reason or other closed down and that their assets were disposed of for, say, £100,000. This money would not go to the shareholders. They would receive no more than they had invested, and whatever sum remained, after all charges, against the club had been met, would pass into the control of the Football Association. The latter would, in fact, claim all rights in the players so far as transfer matters were concerned.

How essential these regulations are will be realised. Without them, although it may be beyond conception, a prosperous club might get into the hands of unscrupulous adventurers who would deliberately break it up, realise the assets, and take very substantial profits.

One Exception

Strangely enough there is one club who are not bound by these financial regulations. This is Everton, and no one knows how an exception was made in their case. The accident occurred many years ago. Their articles of association differ from those of other clubs.

The mistake was discovered a few years ago, and an attempt was made to rectify it. This, however, was not easy; there were legal difficulties. But no one thinks that Everton will ever abuse privileges which were inexplicably granted them at the time the club came into being, and so the position remains as it has always been.

LADIES' INTERPORT HOCKEY

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given by the Shanghai Hockey Association.

Presentation was then made by Mrs. Weston of last season's trophies. The first was the Jones Shield for the association annual league, won by the Ex-Public School Girls Team, and the second was a cup for the winners of the knock-out competition, the Junior Hockey Club being the lucky winners. These trophies were received by the captains of their respective teams amid enthusiastic applause.

HANS NUSSLEIN BEATS "BIG BILL" TILDEN

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PRETTY WEDDING IN KOWLOON

PUNJAB OFFICER MARRIED

WALKER — WILKINSON

The wedding took place of Lt. Samuel Edward Colyear Walker and Miss Majorie Elizabeth Wilkinson, at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, yesterday. The Rev. J. H. Higgs officiated.

Mr. Rupert Baldwin, A.T.C.L., was at the organ.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. H. P. Wilkinson, K.C., J.P., and Mrs. Wilkinson of Drum-ballyhagan, Tobermore, Co. Derry, Mr. Wilkinson was for many years, Crown Advocate in China and Judge of the British Court in Wei-hai-wei.

The bridegroom, who is a Lieutenant in the 1st Bn. 8th Punjab Regiment, is the eldest son of Captain and Mrs. A. C. Walker of "Tara," Tiverton, North Devon. He is the grandson of the late Colonel T. Nicholas Walker of the Bengal Staff Corps.

OBITUARY

Well-Known Member Of Indian Community

MR. A. R. ABBAS

The death occurred yesterday of Mr. Abdul Rahim Abbas, one of the most respected members of the Indian community in Hong Kong, at the age of 63 years at his residence, No. 57 Leighton Hill Road.

The late Mr. Abbas was born in Hong Kong. He was educated at the Central School, which was then the leading Government school in the Colony, and in 1888 joined the staff of Messrs. Wotton and Deacons and later Messrs. Denny and Mossop, two well-known firms of solicitors in those days. In 1891 he was appointed to a post in the Magistracy, where he served for a number of years before being appointed to a position in the Army Ordnance Office.

Just before the outbreak of the War, Mr. Abbas joined the staff of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company and remained with them ever since.

He is survived by his widow, three sons and two daughters. The funeral will take place this afternoon, starting from his residence for the Mahomedan Cemetery at 5.15 p.m.

MRS. FLORA EDGAR PASSES AT 52

Funeral At Night

The death of Mrs. Flora Edgar occurred at her residence No. 39 Stubbs Road yesterday, at the age of 52 years.

A quiet funeral was held last night at nine o'clock at the Jewish Cemetery at Happy Valley. The Jewish Rabbi performed the burial services. The chief mourners were deceased's three sons and Messrs. F.M. D., and J. Ellis (brothers), Misses Leon and Grace Ellis (sisters).

Among those present at the graveside were: Messrs. E. M. Raymond, M. K. Lo, R. Ohl, J. Gubbay, A. Nissim, W. Goldenberg, G. A. Harriman, R. M. Omar, J. F. Grose, W. J. Carroll, Chan Shu Ng, L. Weill, L. A. Tobias, M. Davis, M. David and W. H. S. Davis.

By special request no wreaths were sent.

SANITARY BOARD MEETING

Wanchai Gap Matsheds Discussed

The matshed and huts situated on the northern side at Wanchai Gap formed the main subject of discussion at the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday, Mr. W. J. Carrie, the President, presiding.

Among those present were the Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson, Vice-President, Mr. N. L. Smith, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Dr. G. W. Pope, Medical Officer of Health, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Dr. Li Shu-fan, Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, Mr. C. D. Roe, secretary, and Mr. Im Ping-tseung, assistant secretary.

The question of fruit markets was also discussed when the



The effect of incarceration can be seen plainly on the face of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, now held at Flemington, N. J., for trial on charges of murdering the Lindbergh baby, by comparing these two photos — left, following his arrest; right, after spending more than five weeks in jail. Hauptmann is said to have lost considerable weight since his imprisonment.

GOVERNOR TALKS ON "MUI TSAIS"

Annual Meeting of Society For Protection Of Children

That the Government was still confronting the problem of mui tsai and is ready to act in the more delicate matter of adopted daughters, should it be found that mui tsais were being kept under this designation, was referred to by His Excellency the Governor, at the Fifth annual meeting of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children, at the Helena May Institute yesterday.

His Excellency the Governor referred feelingly to the poverty at the bottom of most cases which came before the Society, and said poverty was also responsible for the poor housing which was the best that many parents could afford.

H. E. Sir William Peel, president and others present were: Mr. M. K. Lo (Chairman of the Society), Mr. G. P. de Martin (Vice-Chairman), Sir Thomas and Lady Southorn, the Hon. Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Kotevall, The Hon. Dr. S. W. Tso, the Hon. Sir William Shenton, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Sir William Hornell, Mrs. Middleton Smith, Mrs. A. Hicks, Mr. S. V. Boxer, Mr. M. A. Cooper, Dr. G. R. Nash, Mrs. L. O. Hunter, Mrs. W. B. A. Moore, Miss Elliot, Mrs. W. Schofield, Professor and Mrs. L. Forster, Dr. E. W. Kirk, Mr. R. C. H. Lim, Mr. Mok Kung-sang, Mr. Ng Wah, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Mr. T. M. Hazelrigg, Mr. A. McKellar, Mr. Kwak Chan, Mr. J. M. Wong, Mr. J. T. Prior, Mr. Ho Kong-tong, Mr. R. R. Campbell, Mr. J. L. MacPherson, Mr. M. H. Lo, Mr. Li Hoi-tung, Mr. A. el Arculli, Rev. H. R. Wells, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Mr. F. H. Kwok, Mr. Peter Sin, Mr. J. Russell, Dr. Li Shu Fan, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, Mr. J. M. Alves, Adjutant Dorothy Brazier and Capt. Doris Lammion (Salvation Army) and Mr. F. H. Loseby.

After His Excellency had proposed the adoption of the report, Mr. M. K. Lo seconded the motion. He said that their thanks were due to the Consul General for Italy who had postponed an engagement which would have clashed with the Society's meeting, and had expressed his interest in the movement so keenly sponsored in Italy.

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The woman jumped from the

WATERY GRAVE DENIED HER

Woman Jumps From Ferry But Rescued

A Chinese woman, Lau Sau-fong, of No. 1079 Canton Road, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday, suffering from the effects of immersion. She was rescued from the harbour after an attempt to commit suicide.

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GIFT SUGGESTIONS FROM SINCERE'S

Special Christmas Offer For Radio Enthusiasts

COLOURFUL DISPLAY

This year's Christmas decorations at Sincere's is somewhat unconventional. Every floor is gaily decorated by colourful crepe paper tassels dropping from the ceilings. The shopfront has been dressed to represent a red house, with a huge Santa Claus cut-out at the top of the entrance.

The Toy department has countless steam engines, electric outfits, toy cannons, detachable aeroplanes, kitchen sets, building blocks of various sizes, and dressed dolls representing various nations.

The Confectionery department has crackers, from midgits to giants, Xmas puddings, cake decorations, and Mickey Mouse bubble gums.

The Book & Stationery department offers novels and story books, transfer pictures, patchwork books, cut-out models. Xmas cards in Chinese and foreign styles, Xmas parcel wrappers, labels, and strings. The Silverware department suggests Chinese novelties, rush sets, tea sets, liqueur sets etc.

Special Offer

The Radio department has a special offer for Christmas special offer—an Atwater Kent All-wave 8 tube radio, usually \$225.00, now at \$170 only. There are also 1935 models of 6-tube all-wavers at \$125 and 4-tube at \$80.

The Ladies' department has needlework cases, sewing boxes, evening bags, artificial flowers for evening dresses. Manicure sets from \$4 to \$27.50. Kiddies handkerchiefs from 30 cts. per set, and fancy embroidered handkerchiefs from \$1.10 per box.

The Perfumery department offers a large range of fancy powder puff boxes at specially low prices. Perfumes "Christmas Night", "Christmas Bell" and many others from Guerlain, Letheric, D'Orsay, Coty etc., of Paris. Marvelous and Max Factor beauty aids, and "4711" toilet articles.

The Wine department has selected wines in assorted cases at reduced prices from \$9.00 to \$49.00 per case. There are also one or two bottles in decorated presentation baskets.

ROOSEVELT WARNED

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"Regulation of the illicit traffic in drugs and prevention of the commerce in stolen goods generally of interstate character, which are offences attributable to the roving criminal, have presented national problems against which primitive forms of law enforcement are relatively powerless," the President said.

NATIONAL WAR—Roosevelt asked the delegates to plan "with scientific care" an administrative structure which will be the very law enforcing agency into a real national war on gangsters and their activities. Figures were presented estimating the annual toll of crime at more than \$12,000,000,000, exceeding the war debts owed to America.

The success of the department of justice operatives in breaking up kidnapping and ending the activities of such roving criminals as John Dillinger also was cited as showing the desirability of operating across state lines.

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VANDERBILT CASE

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Notice of appeal against the decision given by Judge Carew in the case of Gloria Vanderbilt, the 10-year-old heiress to a fortune of \$4,000,000 was filed with the Supreme Court on December 11 by the child's mother, Mrs. Gloria Morgan Vanderbilt.

Judge Carew provided a puzzle when he interpreted his decision in the case. His decision was that "the child Gloria should not have in the future the life she has had since the death of her father in June, 1932."

Later Judge Carew declared, in response to queries: "There is no new decision. Gloria goes to Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney (her aunt) for five days a week, and spends the week-ends with her mother."

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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Silver Spot 24-1/4 (last close), 23-15/16 (last read), 5/16 down (change).
Silver Forward 24-3/8 (last close), 24-1/16 (last read), 5/16 down (change).
Silver Report:—The fall of prices was chiefly due to heavy selling by China. India also sold. Speculators bought at fall of prices. Market closed steady.
Gold 140/7 (last close), 140/9 (last read), 2d up (change).
London/N.Y. Selling Rate 4.93-7/8 (last close), 4.94-1/4 (last read), 3/8 up (change).
London/Paris Selling Rate 74.84 (last close, 74.90 (last read), .06 up (change).
Liverpool Cotton—May 6.75 (last close), 6.72 (last read), .03 down (change).
Liverpool Wheat—May 5/2-3/8 (last close), 5/2-5/8 (last read), 1/4 up (change).
London Rubber—Apr-June (buyers) 6-9/16 (last close), 6-1/2 (last read), 1/16 down (change).
London Rubber—Apr-June (sellers) 6-11/16 (last close), 6-5/8 (last read), 1/16 down (change).
London Rubber at noon (buyers) 6-9/16 (last read).

London's Forecast
A forecast from London on the probable trend of the New York market, states:—

A moderately steady tone is expected on Wall Street, though business is again confined mainly to specialties. Prospects of a new public works scheme is assisting sentiment.

In Wheat, the rally was domestically very sound. There is a disappointing visible decrease due to imports. Little change is expected in Rubber. Cotton is expected to be unchanged. The report of the National Resources Board may possibly revive inflationary sentiment. Mr. Oscar Johnston is rumoured to be en route for Washington to discuss sales from the Pool. It is reported that spinners have under-

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Adjudication Order Discharged

Nam Yuen Restaurant And Lam Yue-tat

CHIEF JUSTICE'S JUDGMENT

An order that the adjudication made in respect of the Nam Yuen Restaurant and Lam Yue-tat, managing partner, be annulled, came before the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice A. D. A. MacGregor at the Bankruptcy Court this morning, and was discharged in a hearing-judgment by His Lordship.

Mr. J. J. Haydey, the Official Receiver, was present, while Mr. Armstrong appeared for an unsecured creditor.

His Lordship in his judgment said:—

This is an application by the Official Receiver for an order that the adjudication made in this case be annulled on the grounds that the assets for distribution among the unsecured creditors after payment of all costs, charges, and expenses, will not be sufficient to pay a dividend of 15 per cent.

There is no opposition to the application save that of an unsecured creditor, and it is not disputed that the amount available for distribution is insufficient to pay anything like the statutory figure of 15 per cent.

Mr. Armstrong bases his opposition on the provision in that part of

the Second Schedule to the Ordinance which deals with proof of secured creditors.

The object of bankruptcy is to secure, under the aegis of an official appointed for that purpose that the available assets of an insolvent will be distributed equitably among his unsecured creditors. A secured creditor does not, by reason of an adjudication, lose his right to recover against his security, nor can he claim to participate in the available assets unless he first realises his security and thereafter proves as an unsecured creditor for the balance.

English legislation contains no provisions analogous to that in our local Ordinance regarding a fund sufficient to pay 15 per cent. of the unsecured debts, but it does make provision for the annulment of an adjudication in either of two events, where in the opinion of the Court, a debtor ought not to have been adjudged a bankrupt or where the debts of the bankrupt have been paid in full.

I have been unable to find any authority for the proposition that in a case where either an adjudication had been obtained by an abuse of the process of the Court, or the bankrupt has paid in full all proved and secured debts, an adjudication will not be annulled by reason of the fact that by such annulment a secured creditor will lose the benefit of the 12th rule in the Second Schedule of the Ordinance.

The reason, I think is not far to seek. The law provides that in certain events as this, the Court is entitled in its discretion to annul an adjudication, and that discretion will be exercised either for the protection of the Court itself, in the interests of a bankrupt, who is no longer insolvent, or for the general benefit of the creditors and the Official Receiver.

The effect of an annulment in this case may be, as Mr. Armstrong has cogently expressed, that the secured creditors must suffer, but they would have suffered in exactly the same way as a debtor who has paid his unsecured debts in full and had then absconded from the jurisdiction.

The order for annulment is discharged.

RECEIVING ORDER MADE

European Discharged From Bankruptcy

Henry Cadogan Best, who this morning appeared before the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice A. D. A. MacGregor at the Bankruptcy Court, had a receiving order made against him.

George Robert Witchell, who made an application for discharge from bankruptcy, was granted a discharge subject to a suspension of three months, when he appeared before the Chief Justice.

Mr. M. A. da Silva, who appeared for one of the secured creditors, opposed the application.

WEST AUSTRALIA PETITION

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former status as a separate self-governing Colony within the British Empire, was presented in both Houses of Parliament on Monday.

As presented in the House of Commons, the petition consisted of a scroll 26 feet long, encased in a handsome polished jarrah casket.

ARMED ROBBERY IN NEW TERRITORIES

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The men were armed with revolvers, a mattock, and a torch. When they were making their escape, they encountered one of the villagers and three or four shots were exchanged. No one, however, was injured.

"LOLOMA" XMAS FETE

Kindergarten Pupils Present "Three Bears"

HOLIDAY BEGIN TO-MORROW

A very delightful entertainment by the young pupils of the "Loloma" Kindergarten, at No. 26 Kimberley Road, Kowloon, marked the second annual Christmas Festival at the school this morning.

The children sang, played nursery rhymes and rendered Christmas carols before a large gathering of parents. The programme consisted of the Morning Circle, when the children said their prayers, sang hymns and nursery rhymes, and acted. Their Percussion Band then played a selection of well-known nursery tunes. The play of the "Three Bears" was then given by the senior pupils.

Christmas carols were then sung, and an Action Song, entitled "I'll Telephone to Santa Claus" was performed. The children next presented their parents with small Christmas gifts, which were made by themselves, from the school Christmas Tree.

Santa Claus Arrives

Following this Father Christmas made his entrance and presented all the children with gifts.

Among those present was Mr. A. O. Brawn, Inspector of English Schools, and representatives from other private Kindergartens and Schools.

Those taking part in the programme were:—Dick Ritchie, Anthea Bates, Margaret Kurrik, Johnnie Bernard, Angela Court, Anne Wilkinson, Paul Best, Gregory Tours, Dawn Dickson, Jennifer Rycroft, John Myers, Gilbert Caffyn, Robin Hancock, Paul Greening, Rosemary Orr, Sara Coventry, Ann Cowland, Billy Copper, Athene Cook, Pippa Portation, and Mary Bernard.

The staff, consisting of Mrs. Douglas Orr, (Directress) Miss Norma Bilderbeck, Miss Ruth Ingram and Miss Jean Bryden, are to be congratulated on the success of the performance.

The school breaks up to-morrow for its Christmas Holidays, and re-opens on January 7.

FREE CINEMA TICKETS

"Gag" Competition Starts To-day

SEE "THE CIRCUS CLOWN" AT THE ALHAMBRA FOR NOTHING

Beginning to-day, the China Mail offers a two-day "Gag" Competition in connection with the forthcoming First National film, "The Circus Clown", featuring Joe E. Brown, which will be shown at the Alhambra Theatre, commencing on Christmas Day.

A picture and a saying, by one of the stars in the film, are printed in these columns, and you are only required to give a reply. A pair of dress circle tickets will be mailed to the six winners each day—the funniest sayings and the most sentimental murmurs will be the winners.

Here is to-day's contest: "You're the beetle I'd like to squash", said the lady.

Just what did Joe Brown tell the lady that has made her so amused? You tell, and be the guest of the China Mail at the Alhambra Theatre on Christmas Day.

Fill in the reply and post it to the Editor, China Mail, to-day. Tickets will be sent out as soon as possible.



Joe E. Brown amuses his lady friend in "The Circus Clown"

To-day's Short Story

The First Solo

By Wilfrid Tremellen

"YARE! But this is a bad business, my child!" The commander Akasaki of the Imperial Flying Corps tapped his knee reflectively with his scabbarded sword.

The Air-cadet Matsumoto, standing stiffly to attention, listened with inhaled breath. On the next words of the Commander depended his whole career.

"No less than twelve hours of instruction you have had, I see—and how many machines have you damaged in landing?"

"Three, Honourable Commander-San," admitted the cadet humbly.

"So. Then dual control can go no further. No more can I risk the lives of good instructors. And yet I feel strongly that a boy of your temperament can do almost anything—if he has to. So one chance I can give you, my child, and it must be the last. Take up a machine solo—with sandbags in the back seat instead of an instructor—and bring her down on to the water by yourself. One good landing accomplished solo, and the confidence will come, I am sure of it. Amaze me, what is your answer?"

The Air-cadet Matsumoto took a deep breath. "Otherwise," continued the Commander gently, "your flying days are finished, and you must serve our Emperor in some other way."

"Some other way" meant a return to the ranks; Matsumoto understood that well enough, and the thought of it had for weeks been a

nightmare to him. A son of the people, he was not of the class from which the Emperor's officers are usually drawn. Only by the closest concentration of his studies had he earned the right of entry into the School for Air-officers. So far he had done well; must he now slip back again?

Now the Commander Akasaki was a just man and a man to inspire courage. He had seen service at Tainingto, and he had also been badly mauled by the "Old Man," the fierce Yezo bear who dwells in the pine-forests of Hokkaido. All ranks loved him. So Matsumoto took another deep breath and made another stiff little bow.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "The Shaping Of Character," by Dr. W. Beran Wolfe.

"I will accept this offer, Honourable Commander-San," he said, "and am grateful."

The commander nodded and smiled his encouragement. "Either I am a poor judge of men," he said, "or you will bring off a good landing. And what has once been done can be done again."

On that same hot September morning of 1932 the widow Matsumoto, attracted by the sound of an aircraft engine, emerged from a lowly dwelling on the bank of the canal which cuts in two the slum island of Tsukishima, Tokyo's "East End." She was wearing a dark kimono and an equally sober obi, and the reins of three Emperors had lined her face like a withered walnut.

A seaplane with the blood-red disc of Japan for markings made a very flat turn over the waste-land opposite and came towards her, flying low and awaying uncertainly. The machine made another flat turn over the canal, and a hand appeared over the side of the cockpit, waved once, and was immediately withdrawn, as though needed inside.

The widow Matsumoto continued waving long after the machine had reached the end of the canal, and then turned back into the house, her eyes shining. Her boy would do well, she felt certain. Was he not this morning, for the first time, flying the machine all by himself? And he deserved his success; no son had ever worked harder at his studies than hers. She smiled proudly. After all it was something when a bean-paste vendor's son became an officer of the Emperor. He was not an officer yet, to be sure, but at the end of this course he certainly would be. She went indoors.

The boy-pilot of the seaplane was not feeling nearly so confident about this future—more especially about his immediate future. In his own mind, for instance, the Air-cadet Matsumoto was perfectly certain that he was unlikely to be able to bring down his machine on the water without disaster. As he climbed to a safer height after waving to his mother, his anxiety was intense.

The very thought of nosing down to the sea to alight induced a bath of perspiration—the little waves below him racing faster and faster as he neared the surface; the needle of the air-speed indicator sagging back towards zero; the anxiety about angle of descent; the anguish of choosing exactly the right moment to ease back the control-stick for the flatten-out; all these things had painful associations in the mind of the Air-cadet Matsumoto. They were connected with nerve-racking jolts, showers of spray, damaged float-connections, and sarcastic instructors.

He looked at his watch. In ten minutes he must bring her down on to the water; and this time there would be no instructor in the back seat yelling into his earphones the orders that would avert a crash. This time he was alone.

He crossed the Sumida river, flew over the Nishionganji Temple, and followed the tramlines of the Ginza, Tokyo's wealthiest street. Above some of the larger buildings were anchored balloons painted with advertising matter; these Matsumoto was careful to avoid.

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The First Solo

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like a leaf in a whirlwind. He trembled lest his floats and mainsails should prove unequal to the strain. At one moment he was hanging upside-down from his safety-belt, at the next the machine was sliding backwards in a stall. He throttled down his engine, and seizing what opportunities he could with control-stick and rudder-bar, at last found himself out of the disturbed area. Then he put down his nose and raced for Turkish hills.

His mother's house, like nearly every other house on the island, was ablaze. All who could swim had already crossed the canal to the waste-land opposite, but the bank was lined with those who could not. The foolish were wringing their hands in despair; the wise were pouring water over their heads and dipping their kimonos in the canal to mitigate the dreadful heat from the burning buildings behind them. One or two boats, rowed by heroic maids, shot back and forth loaded to the gunwales, but it seemed probable that many of those left on the bank would roast or drown. Though the wind was blowing from the sea, the heat was intense, and steam rose like a fog from the dampened clothing.

On these poor wretches the Air-cadet Matsumoto swept down in his seaplane like a god. He picked out his mother on his first trip along the canal. She and another woman were kneeling by the water-side, busy dipping the babies—to keep the poor mites from roasting alive. She looked up and smiled as the seaplane thundered past.

Matsumoto landed as near as he could and taxied towards her. But before he climbed down on to the float, he leant over into the other cockpit, detached the spare control-stick, and thrust it into the breast of his flying suit; he thought he might need it.

He did. A rat-faced little man was knocking over women and children in his fight to get near the seaplane. It was Yaguchi, the flint-hearted owner of that row of blazing hovels. The Air-cadet Matsumoto waited for him with a gentle smile.

"Why! Yaguchi-San? And who should deserve a warmer welcome than a merciful landlord? See! Here I have with me your rent-money!" And snatching out his weapon, he brought it down with stunning force upon the fellow's crown.

"Come, my mother, place a foot here, and here."

But his mother would not come; she fought him.

"Leave me! I am old. Take Sakada, San; her father has nothing but her."

Matsumoto, who knew that the father was employed at the Migaishi gas-works, bit his lip. "He will need her no longer," he muttered.

"My mother, must I carry you?" He seized her about the waist.

With his mother safely in the rear cockpit he turned again to the bank.

"Woman! Oide nasai! (Come here). Bring the child and stand on the float—and you—and you—strain. At one moment he was hanging upside-down from his safety-belt, at the next the machine was sliding backwards in a stall. He throttled down his engine, and seizing what opportunities he could with control-stick and rudder-bar, at last found himself out of the disturbed area. Then he put down his nose and raced for Turkish hills.

With some difficulty he ferried the "deck-passengers" to the other side, and then, with his mother in the back seat, he opened the throttle.

The seaplane made a brave sight plunging her way down the canal. Matsumoto might have gone the whole way back to the seaplane-station on the surface like this. But he did not. His hand moved forward on the throttle lever; the engine-note screamed up the scale; the white water streamed back from the floats, and the seaplane, swinging gently, slid into the air. At the end of the canal it banked sharply right, thundered over the bridge, and nosed down to the water again near the seaplane-base. The landing was perfect.

It was not until he was taxi-ing in that the Air-cadet Matsumoto realised with a bewildering shock of astonishment, that this was his second landing that day. After all his anxiety he had made his first solo landing without giving a thought to the matter!

BRIDGE NOTES

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4—Not so well satisfied with the course the hand is taking, but continuing the policy of "watchful waiting."

5—Disclosing another five-card suit.

6—East believes that notrump is the safest contract.

7—Certainly courageous enough.

8—The Double comes as a matter of course.

This should be a story of undue boldness punished, but as a matter of fact it did not turn out that way. East, instead of being penalised for his temerity, fulfilled his contract.

Mr. Morehead led the three high diamonds in turn, and then cleared the diamond suit, East winning the fourth diamond with the Jack. The Queen of hearts was then successfully finessed, and while Mr. Phillips was then taken Mr. R. D. Walker.

Morehead was forced to find two discards.

In making his choice he found it necessary to part with his two established diamonds. A small Mesars. Russ & Co.

spade was then led, which was won with the Ace, and Mr. Morehead was put in the lead with the Col. Eaves.

Remaining spade to lead up to the Col. Doughty club Ace-Queen for the winning J. R.

Mr. Morehead's Double of the notrump contract was fully justified. As a matter of fact, East and West had bid too much on the hands or at least were in the wrong contract. As the cards lie, four hearts cannot be defeated, and inasmuch as much of the value of the spades and West hands is in the tribulation, that would be a more natural contract than notrump.

Radio

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Selection—
The Beggar's Opera (Gay & Austin)
The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.

Vocal Gems—
The Belle of New York (Morton),
Columbia Light Opera Company.
7.38-8 p.m.—Light Orchestra Selections.

Amoretten Tanz—Waltz (Gung'l)
Blen Ardes—Valse (Waldenfel)
Albert Sandler and his Orchestra

Le Chaland Qui Passe (Bisio)
Love's Last Word (Cremieux)
Albert Sandler and his Orchestra.

With a Song in my Heart—Symphonic Rhapsody (Eric Coates)
Court Symphony Orchestra conducted by Eric Coates.

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
8.03-8.35 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Recital by Doris Blair (Soprano) and Greta Parkinson (Pianoforte).

1. Pianoforte Solo—
(a) Concert Study in D Major Liszt.

2. Songs—
(a) The Lass with the delicate air Arne.
(b) A Blackbird Singing Michael Head.

(c) Love's a Merchant Molly Carew.
3. Pianoforte Solos—
(a) Waltz in D Major, Op. 64, No. 1 Chopin.

(b) Nocturne in Fsharp Major Chopin.
(c) Two Studies in G-sharp (study in double 3rd) and in G Major (Butterfly Study) Chopin.

4. Songs—
(a) One Morning very early Sanderson.

(b) The Willow Song Coleridge Taylor.
(c) The Cuckoo Liza Lehmann.

8.35-9.17 p.m.—
Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, Op. 65 (The New World) (Dvorak)
The Royal Albert Hall Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

1st Movement—Adagio.
2nd "—Largo.
3rd "—Scherzo—Molto vivace
4th "—Allegro con fuoco.

9.17-9.30 p.m.—Jazz Piano Solos by Rale da Costa:
1. Dancing Butterfly.
2. Waltz Time—Medley.
3. One Minute to one.

4. I had to change the words.
9.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

9.35-10.30 p.m.—From the Studio.
Dance Music by the Orchestra of the s.s. "President Jefferson."
10.30 n.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Mid-day Press News. Further London Stock and Commodity Quotations.

10.35-11 p.m.—Old Melodies.
Ella Mae Terriss and Seymour Hicks—Medley.
Ella Mae Terriss and Seymour Hicks.

A Night with Paul Whiteman at the Billmore.
Paul Whiteman and his Orchestra.
Melville Gideon—Medley.

Melville Gideon (Baritone).
11 p.m.—Close Down.

WA YING GIRLS' SCHOOL

Director Of Education At Speech Day

Congratulations were extended to the members of the Wa Ying Girls' School by Mr. G. R. Sayer, the Director of Education, who distributed certificates at the school's annual speech day at the Hop Yat Church last evening.

In the absence of the Headmistress, Miss Hutchinson, who is on furlough, the school report for the year 1933-34, was read by Miss V. D. A. Silcocks. The report revealed that the school was making good progress.

An enjoyable concert was later given by the students of the school.

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The question of trade debts due by Rumania to the United Kingdom was further discussed between the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Walter Runciman, and M. Manulescu Strunga yesterday.

Mr. Runciman emphasised that the integral payments of these debts on sterling within the shortest period possible is regarded as essential by His Majesty's Government.

M. Manulescu Strunga recognised the justice of the United Kingdom point of view, and undertook to consult his Government with a view to a resumption of negotiations early in January.—British Wireless Service.

NEW OFFICIAL FOR CYPRUS

Mr. Battershill Becomes Colonial Secretary

London, to-day.
The Colonial Office announce that Mr. W. D. Battershill, Assistant Colonial Secretary in Jamaica, has been selected for appointment as Colonial Secretary at Cyprus in succession to Mr. H. Henniker Heaton, who has been appointed Governor of the Falkland Islands.—British Wireless Service.

MANCHUKUO AND JAPANESE YEN

Rumours Cause Drop in Currency Prices

Mukden, To-day.
Currency prices in the "Puppet State" of Manchukuo declined yesterday in relation to the Japanese yen. This is attributed to reports that China is contemplating devaluation.—Reuter.

CHINA'S CURRENCY DEVALUATION

New York, To-day.—Wall Street is discussing rumours that China contemplates a 25 per cent. currency devaluation.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

CURRENCY POLICY IN AMERICA

Government Action Defended

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894, Received December 19, 11.30 a.m.)

New York, To-day.
The Attorney-General, Mr. Homer S. Cummings, has filed in the Supreme Court two voluminous briefs defending the Government's revocation of the Gold Clause on the grounds that no other step was available to maintain monetary stability.

Montreal traders say that the slowing up of the United States silver programme is responsible for the recent weakness of silver futures and explain that last week the United States brought less than 500,000 ounces, while heavy selling in China also largely offset purchases in London and Montreal.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

COSTIGAN PLAYS WAITING GAME

No Personal Silver Plan As Yet

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
New York, to-day.
Senator Edward P. Costigan, of Denver, said he had no personal silver plan but merely wished to listen to the Liberal programme on various subjects including the plans of the Liberal Silverites such as Senators Wheeler, Thomas, of Oklahoma, and others.—Reuter.

AMERICA MAY REVISE HER SILVER PURCHASE POLICY

New York, To-day.—Silver dealers believe that the United States Government is reviewing the world silver situation, particularly its effect on China, and is possibly considering a revision in her purchase policy.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

ATLANTIC DRAMA

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hatten, and President Harding, together with the s.s. New York, the Canadian Pacific s.s. Beaverdale, and the Vacuum Oil Company's tanker Mobiloli, the last two are registered in London—answered the Sisto's call.

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The Mobiloli signalled urgent need for vessels with more oil, as her supply was insufficient, adding that the Sisto's crew wished to be taken off.

A later message stated that the s.s. New York was nearing the scene.—British Wireless Service.

AGRICULTURE IN AMERICA

New York, To-day.
It is estimated that the farm value for 1934 of United States crops is \$4,732,626,000 compared with \$4,114,265,000 last year and \$2,882,195,000 for 1932.—Reuter.

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